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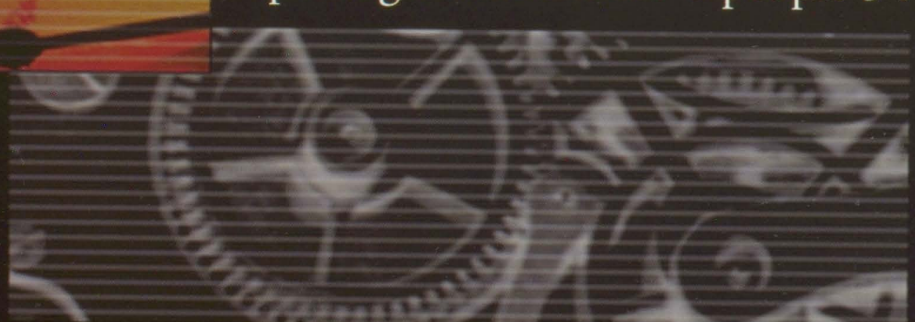
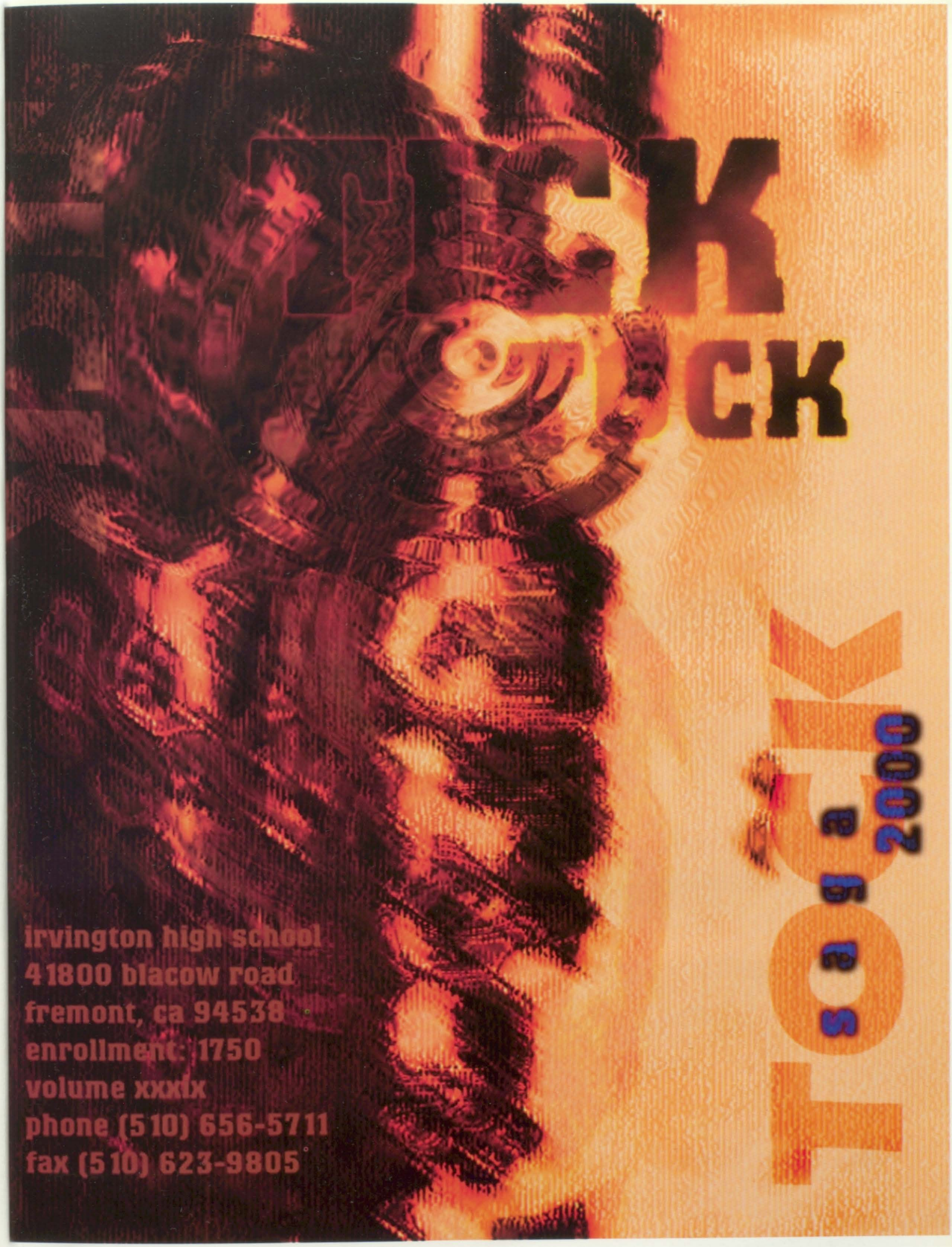
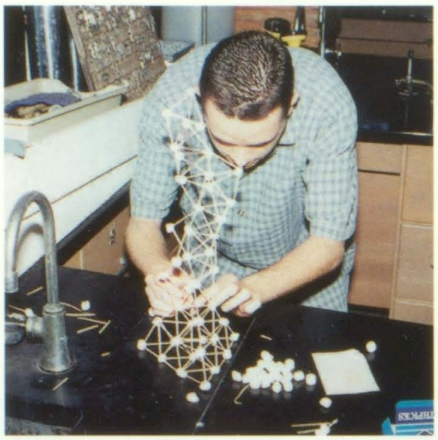


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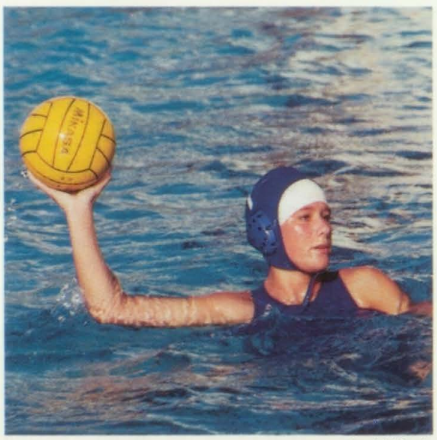
Stewart Merrell

In Mr. Seiji Kawamura's Conceptual Physics class, Jason Anderson works on his marshmallow tower. The experiment tested structural designs for sturdiness and stability.

Chalk up another sack for Number 23. Tackle Brian DeBurr brings down a Kennedy football player.



Scott White



Patrick Morris

With split second timing, Lisa Covey defends the goal as a Mission player tries to score. The Girls' Water Polo Team reached the NCS finals.

tick

At a cross country meet at Coyote Hills, Angie Aldama and Lindsay Meyers bond after an exhausting race. The 3.1 mile course takes between 18 and 22 minutes of constant running.



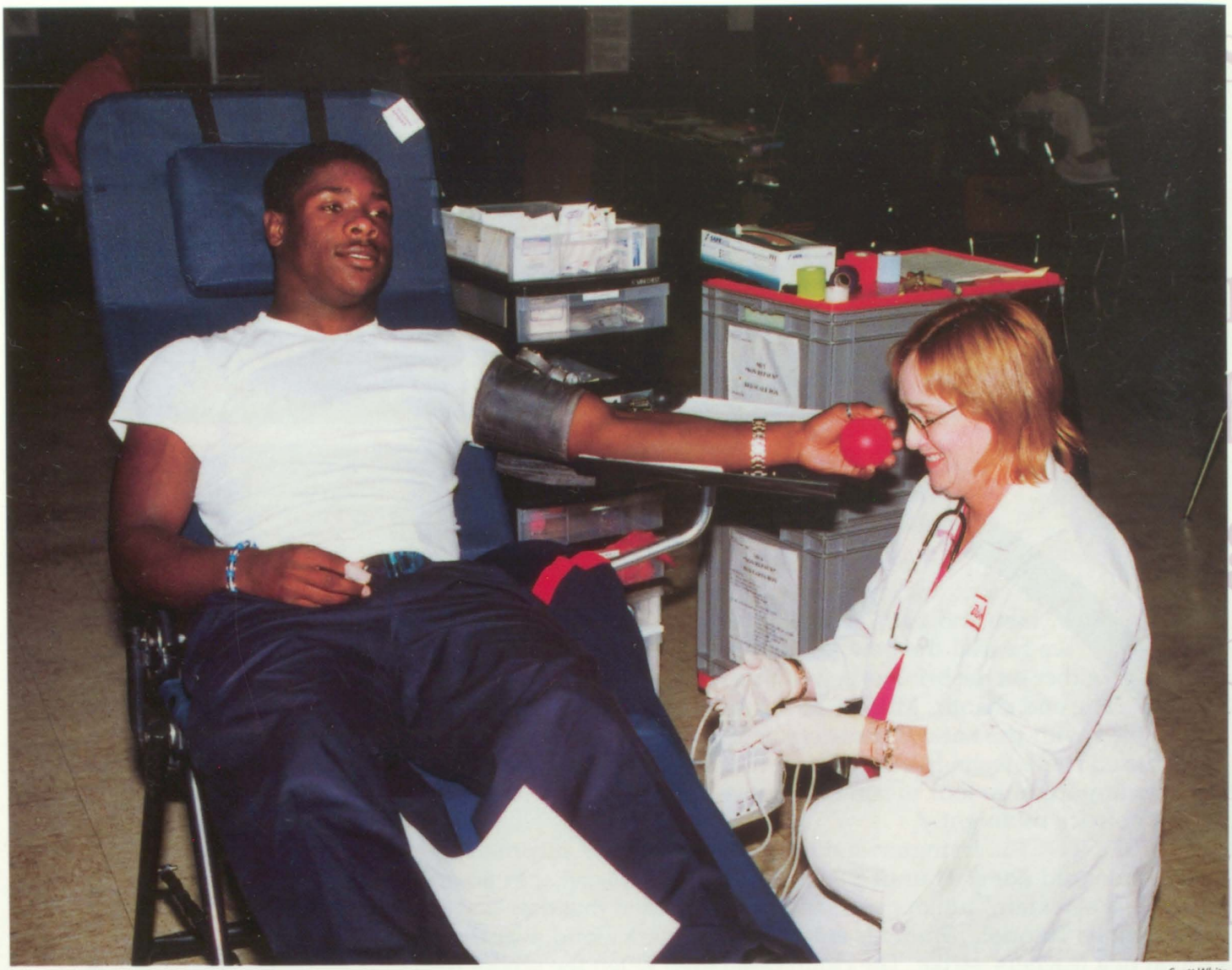
Patrick Morris

As the song says, 'Time keeps on slipping, slipping, slipping into the future.' Is there a solution?

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Why do baby-boomers always reminisce about the good ol' days like their life was one big Bruce Springsteen song? What about here and now? These days were worth attention too. As we neared the new Millennium, everyone acted as if we were either on the brink of something new and exciting or something horrible and chaotic. Months of massive relocation and modernization coupled with the natural disasters and paranoia surrounding the "Y2K" crisis fueled these feelings. As we took that leap into the unknown of the future, it was important to look around and preserve those last few seconds just before the clock struck midnight.

TICK TOCK... Irvington students were pleasantly surprised at Maze Day to learn that school did not start until 8:00 a.m. four days a week... In accordance with the precept, "Life's not fair," juniors and seniors also learned that they had the right not to attend the infamous Tutorial... Students entered with a dark cloud over their heads in the form of a threat of a teachers' strike. The cloud dissipated when the school district decided to meet the teachers' contract demands... In the name of new carpets and heating, the entire 200 wing relocated to a cozy row of portables, known as Modular City, behind the school. The resulting port-a-potties, although quaint, did not gather a large fan-base. This was only the beginning of a four-part modernization now scheduled to finish by the 2000-2001 school year.... In October, the usually harmonious Spirit Week ended on a sour note when a group of students had a midnight rendezvous with rival campus, American High School. Ironically enough, new school boundary changes will send many of them to the Eagle campus next year... The attendance area boundary changes were also controversial as a proposal to send Weibel Elementary students to Irvington instead of Mission stirred up the emotions of parents at both schools. The proposal spawned months of debates, protests, and harassment of Irvington students from an onslaught of automotive fury. The tension came to a head in November when frustrated parents formed a line of honking cars in front of Irvington High School during first period. The parents saw the distraction of the students' class time as a valid means of protest. The students saw the distraction as valid means of whining... Students and teachers alike began to wonder how the influx of Kennedy



Scott White

Putting all fears aside, Lewis Jackson prepares to donate blood. He, along with many other seniors, forgot about their own comfort for one moment and braved the puncture of a hypodermic needle to help others.

As Irvington renovates for the future, students make the long journey to "Modular City" behind the school. The move from the 200 Wing to the portables was the beginning of the year-and-half modernization of the school's facilities.

Even the teachers get decked out for Spirit Week. Mr. Ben Dow flashes a construction sign reminding everyone that "Life moves pretty fast. If you don't slow down and look around once in a while, you might miss it."

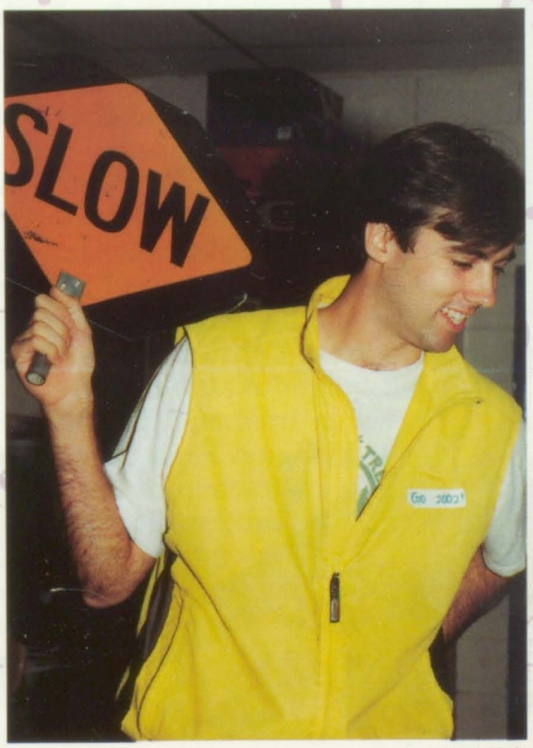
Mr. Mike Thompson and Mr. Bob Spain make creative use of their H.E.L.P. Time. In order to have H.E.L.P. Time with the two, apparently their students would have to high-tail it over to Bay Street Cafe.



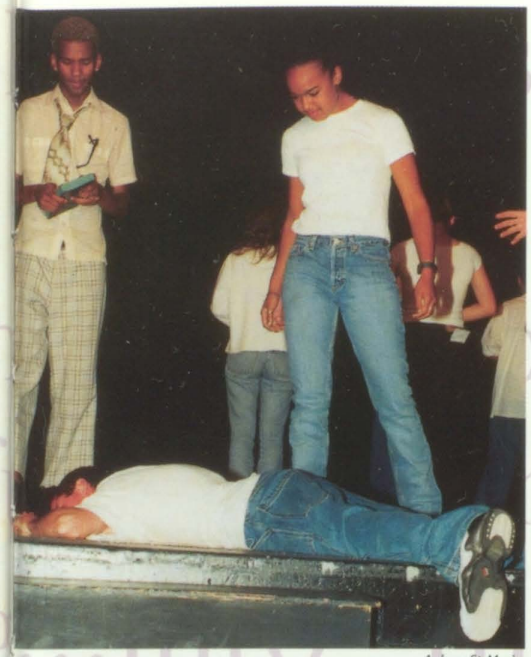
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Armohn Jackson, Chantel Shaw and Nicholas Regopoulos demonstrate how time can be spent best: obeying the rules. The Drama Department put on the assembly to explain the rules in the student handbook.

Peering into a microscope, Leanne Maxwell explores the microcosmos. The technology used in Ms. Jeannette Frechou's biology class showed a world where the events that shape our history have no effect on the unseen creatures that surround us.

Joining in on the antics of Spirit Week, Sam Follett and Monica Mangel cheer at the rally. Like most seniors, they went all out because this was their last year here at Irvington.

At the Hello Rally, the Varsity Cheerleaders keep in time to the music. Their dance moves really got the crowd going.



Scott White



Kurt Del Rosario

TICK TOCK

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students next year would affect the personality of Irvington...

TICK TOCK... Still shaken by the events at Columbine High School, America began searching for solutions to violence in its youth. Some blamed the movies. Some blamed guns. Still others blamed poor family values.

TICK TOCK... Brandi Chastain kicked the winning goal against China and won the Woman's World Cup for the U.S. team... Viewers spent hours watching the ocean as rescue workers searched for JFK Jr., his wife, and his sister-in-law... The New York Yankees made a clean sweep of the World Series and defeated Atlanta in only four games... Many seniors registered to vote this year, just in time for the bombardment of promises from next year's presidential hopefuls as the race got underway almost 18 months before the actual election... Forty-niner fans ripped their hair out in frustration when quarterback Steve Young was injured and sat out the rest of the season, which some said would be his last... The crash of EgyptAir 990 into the Atlantic Ocean heightened every traveler's fear of flying....

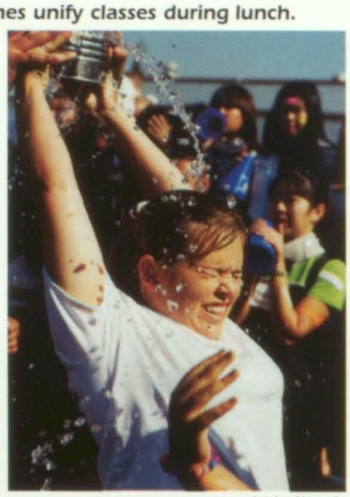
TICK TOCK... The U.S. flexed its military muscles when it bombed Kosovo for two and a half months in retaliation for President Milosevec's attack on ethnic Albanians... A string of natural disasters gave paranoid "end-of-the-world" fanatics some food-for-thought as Mother Nature's fury reared its ugly head. Turkey, Mexico and Taiwan all felt the effects of deadly earthquakes. Hurricanes Bret and Floyd showed just how much damage a ball of air and water swirling at high speeds could do... The world's population reached six billion people. The more the merrier...

TICK TOCK... A millennium came to an end and a new one took its place. Will we refer to this time as the good old days? Are these the kinds of things we'll end up saying to all the young ones once their generation catches up to us? For now, all we can do is just wait and see.

TIME on our HANDS

One of the biggest phenomena of the year is the explosion of Pokémon. Sophomore Mary Bush, in her pajamas for Spirit Week Pajama Day, holds onto Pikachu, a mouse that can electrocute other creatures.

Spirit Week Courtyard games unify classes during lunch. Freshman Sarah Hernandez gets soaked with water as she passes the tin can down the line.



Jessica Neunzig



Aubrey St. Marie



Kurt Del Rosario

The Junior Class gets drenched in the Bucket Brigade. Though they placed third in the game, the Class of 2001 still maintained their high spirits.

Ashkan Dorodyan, Lewis Jackson and Victor Wong lead the seniors in the lunchtime Spirit Week cheering. They look like they just raided their grandparents' closet.



Scott White

by **Mathew Gilbuena**
Jessica Bonham

If there was anything that high school students always seemed to lack, it was time. At Irvington, we were embarking on a journey into the Millennium and beyond. Time became a more important matter than ever. The clock was ticking to a rhythm that was almost impossible to keep up with.

Spirit Week 1999 was to be remembered as the last of the Millennium. We certainly made our mark, but not in the expected manner. The seniors with the their shocking stunts, the rally, the rivalries and the dance that did not deliver had only one explanation: The Y2K Bug.

The things we did during and outside of school defined who we were. Toy collector Matt Rojanakiathavorn, senior, refused to let time interfere with his love for The Force. Ever since childhood, he collected *Star Wars* figurines, and it didn't stop even when he reached high school. Kristin Hawkins, senior, was a devout *Jeopardy* fan. Her secret passion for game shows distracted her from the realities of life, allowing her to live in her own time frame.

Some of us found ways to juggle our time, without letting our outside activities interfere with our studies. Sophomore Jane Nobles took time out of her busy schedule to tutor students at Forest Park Elementary. Nathan Chan, freshman, delighted in his culinary talent of making Chinese fried rice. He managed to make decent grades and find time to indulge in his interests.

We tried to clash our personal sense of fashion with the style of the day. We were trying to make a statement that would remain timeless. Senior Olivia Totten expressed her individuality with her outward appearance. Her ever-changing hair colors and her eccentric taste in clothing became her trademark. For Jenevie Gonzalez, junior, a watch was not enough to moderate her time in a fashionable way. Instead, she used trendy technological accessories such as pagers and voice mail to be ahead of her schedule.

For us, the clock was never at rest. The ticking was always there, but the time was not. Even if we could not freeze time or stop the ticking, we still found ways to beat the clock at any odds.



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Lunchtime games are a highlight during Spirit Week. After all the excitement, super sophomore Jessica Perkins savors her pizza.



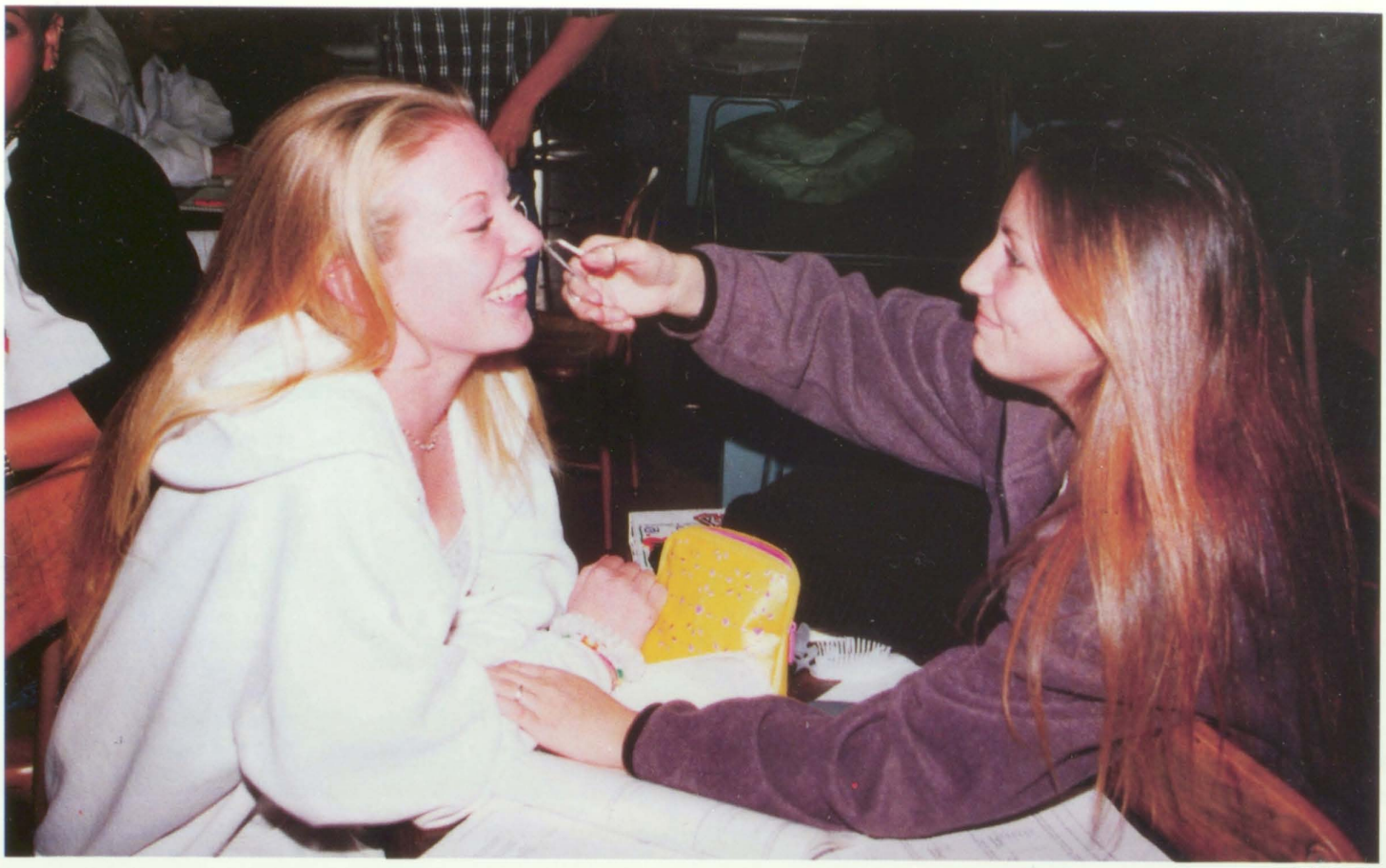
Kurt Del Rosario

Can you smell what The Rock is cooking? Stirring up the crowd at the Unity Day Rally, Mr. Mark Boelter reveals his alterego.

During the Unity Day Rally, the Spirit Coordinators from each class dip their hands in paint and imprint their handprints on an IHS Viking pride poster. Besides the festivities, showing school unity was also an important factor of Spirit Week.



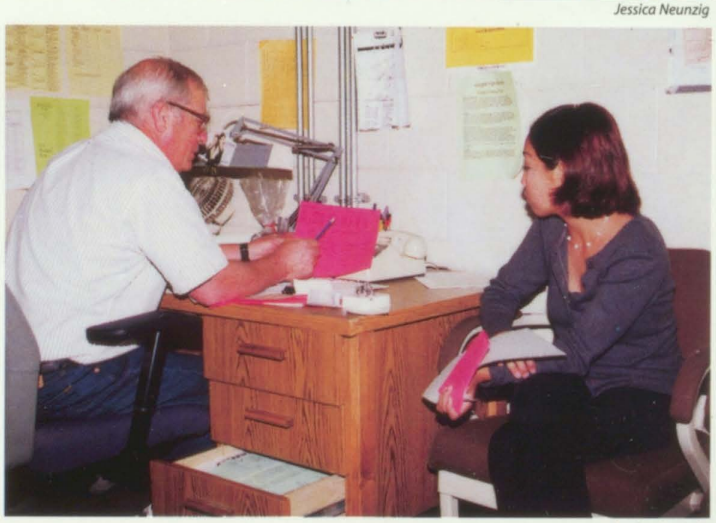
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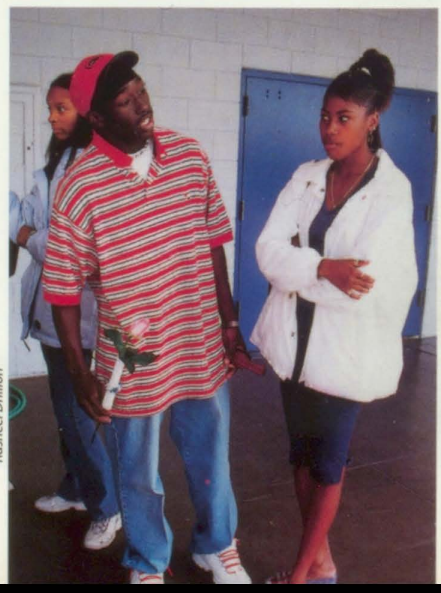
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In CPM geometry, instead of solving the Pythagorean Theorem, Karen Hill and Kristy Ramirez curl their eyelashes. With the amount of time spent touching up make-up in classes, Revlon could open up a cosmetics counter.

The hunger that rages in the stomachs of students draws them to the smell of food. However, in their pursuit of this life sustaining substance, they had to enter the neverending lunch line.

Mr. Bill Stull, counselor, helps Melissa Lucero change her schedule. It is not uncommon to find students spending their lunch hour in the counselors' offices.

"A rose by any other name ..." enters the mind as Bryce Taylor attempts to make amends with his friend Denise Jackson by giving her a flower. One of the main reasons students came to school was to socialize with friends and flirt with new ones.



Rasheel Dhillon

just a typical day in the LIFE

A normal day in teens' lives proves to be anything but ordinary

"I got locked out of my house from 11:30 at night 'til 2:30 in the morning. It was pouring cats and dogs! That same night my neighbor was having a party and all of his very cute friends were out. Did I mention that I was in my P.J's?" said Sandra Tarsik, sophomore.

From dawn 'til dusk, it was evident that students led lives that were far from the ordinary. Whether it was morning blunders or late night mishaps, they all made up a day in a life.

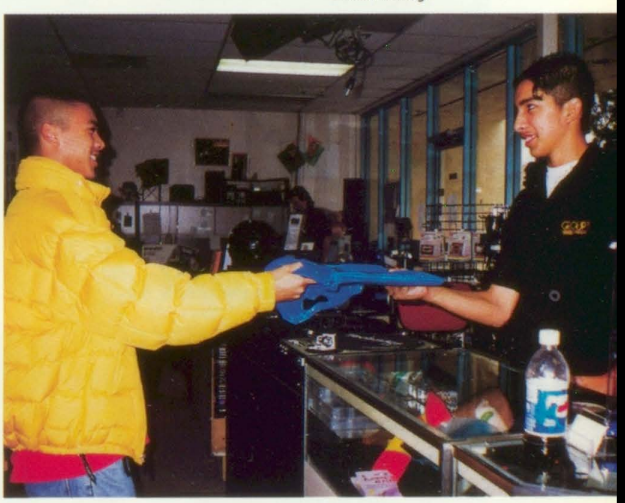
- **Getting up:** "I have scary dreams, so I ask my grandma to wake me up." Eli Delgado, senior.
- **Getting ready:** "I caught my friend with another girl and I was with his girlfriend." Tino Reyes, senior.
- **On the way to school:** "Getting on the A.C. Transit bus and before I could sit down, the bus started moving which caused me to fall. It was a full bus and everyone was laughing at me." Nick Lira, sophomore.
- **1st period:** "The first day of school, I walked into the wrong class and sat down. Did I mention it was a freshman class?" Lyssi Baugher, senior.
- **2nd period:** "I had to carry two bucketfuls of frogs for Ms. Ceresa's Anatomy/Physiology class from the Office to her class at the end of Senior Hall. They were heavy." Jason Chan, senior.
- **3rd period:** "My friend Michael was holding his soda, but he fell down and accidentally threw his soda at the teacher." Chris Koch, sophomore.
- **4th period:** "Four words: Ms. Frechou's Friday dance." Melissa Cruz, sophomore.
- **Lunch**: "We play basketball because it is fun and being on the Varsity Basketball Team, I need to practice." Willie Gonzalez, senior.
- **5th period:** "My teacher was writing something on the board and I was trying to drink my soda. He quickly turned around and then I spilled some on my pants." Clifton Der Bing, junior.
- **6th period:** "We were changing study groups. My friend Jeff got the same group he had before, so he had to switch. I yelled t the top of my lungs, "I'll take him!" They got the impression that I had a crush on Jeff and even the teacher cracked a joke about it." Jessica Perkins, sophomore.
- **7th period/after school:** "I usually babysit my siblings and nieces." Valerie Raygoza, freshman.
- **3:00-5:00:** "During a soccer game I slid, fell, and I landed on my hand wrong, which broke it." Nick Eckler, junior.
- **5:00-7:00:** "I got locked in the school and I had to go around the school looking for a janitor who opened the hallway doors." Fatima Mojaddedi, sophomore.
- **7:00-10:00:** "I fell asleep at an all-night party and my friends took a picture of me sleeping." Aelia Fatima, senior.

—Amanda Lau and Rasheel Dhillon



Jessica Neunzig

Clark Fairley enjoys speeding to his classes down the Freshman Hallway on his "hot wheels." The speed at which he travels would do a pizza delivery boy proud.



Amanda Lau

It's not everyday that you find a person being paid for doing what they love. After school at Group Three, a deejay equipment shop, Jake Santos works the counter.



Jessica Neunzig

Jacob Steward faces the dilemma the students in the portables dealt with everyday: to use the port-a-potties or not. With the extensive modernization construction, students in Modular City were a great distance away from standard restrooms.

Esther Llanos and April Clausen giggle as they record their voices and play them back at different speeds. To the pair, it never ceases to be funny.

Fat melts in your mouth, not in your hand. For Saritha Tirunagaru, several hundred calories were the least of her concerns when she had to satisfy her candy craving.





Shilpa Andalkar

Stripped down to socks and active wear, Sandra Jo and Amy Peng can breakdance just about anywhere. Oddly enough, not many people knew about their proclivity to get down.

Another day, another donut. Paul Kim stands accused, next to the donut counter that calls to him in his sleep. He admits to going to Mapleleaf Donuts nearly everyday for a supply of three to four cholesterol bullets.

In their own company, Grace Shaw and Angela Joo nosh on potato chips. Their addiction to chips combined with their messy eating etiquette causes them to avoid eating their Ruffles in public as much as possible.



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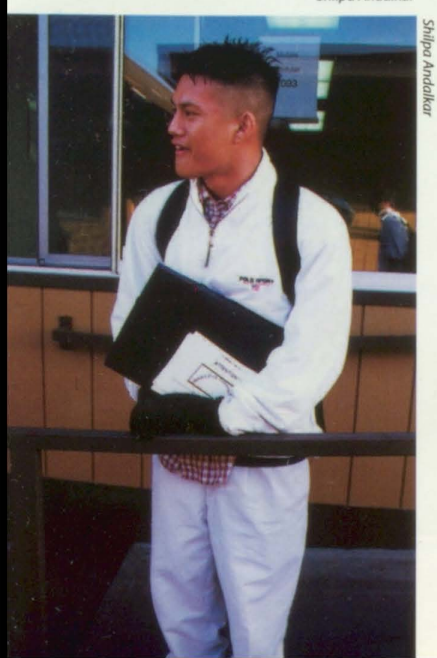
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Livin' La Vida Polka: Sophomores Jen Crozier and Shelby Lutes took polka dance lessons on the sly. "One time, we smashed into a couple and rammed them into the accordion player who was standing off the stage. We ruined the whole song," said Jen.

but it just feels soooo GOOD

Students share their deepest, darkest secrets on how to have fun

Under a hideous cloud of shame, people concealed awful impulses. The civilized manners they portrayed in broad daylight were nothing compared to the things they did once behind closed doors.

Most people had understandable indulgences like the occasional quaffing of a delicious thousand-calorie shake. At Walgreens, senior Saritha Tirunagaru surveyed the candy aisle while clinging to a whopping bag of Reese's Pieces. "I'm not really addicted to them...they're just soo good!"

When faced with the burden of nothing to do, juniors Esther Llanos and April Clausen delighted in singing silly pop songs into a tape recorder and then listening to their own screechings. They would take it to the next level and play the recordings on high-speed mode. "We just like to sound dumb," said Esther.

If anyone was looking for freshman Paul Kim before school, they only had to go as far as the local doughnut shop. Every morning, Paul could be found satisfying his sweet tooth by scarfing his favorite variety, glazed chocolate.

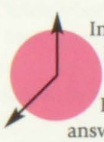
Every Thursday night, the theme song to another *Friends* episode would blare from the television, and freshman Sundeep Dhillon would suspiciously peer over his shoulder. The thought of anyone thinking his love for the show was lame, made him cringe. However, that didn't keep him from confessing his favorite character. "I like Chandler," he said.

Sometimes the Pokémon craze struck even the most resistant of students. Junior Ryan Rose hardly ever watched its after-school syndications, but after taking his little brother to see the movie, he was hooked.

Students have been known to dance when they thought no one was looking. Freshmen Sandra Jo and Amy Peng admitted they were not the most professional of breakdancers, but they still took pleasure in busting moves whenever they had the chance. "We're not very good, like the people you see in the hallways, but we still do it because it's fun."

—*Shilpa Andalkar, Tina Le and Patrick Morris*

If it was just to alleviate naughty desires or to just kill time, students didn't mind guilty pleasures. It was their business, but it sure was fun knowing about them.



In the privacy of her home, Kristin Hawkins can answer most all *Jeopardy* trivia. She ridicules everyone else who watches the show but enjoys playing the computer version of the game.

Stereotypically a female guilty pleasure, clothes shopping is Marvin Fontanilla's not-so-secret passion. Trendsetting Marvin is known for his sharp sense of style.

Chulupas NOT Gorditas, Felicity NOT Dawson's Creek, cell phones NOT pagers, WWF NOT NWO, Raiders NOT '49ers, dress pants NOT bell bottoms, Blink 182 NOT Britney Spears, Austin Powers 2 NOT Wild Wild West, Freddie Prinze Jr. NOT Leonardo di Caprio. No matter what, students knew the difference.

WHAT'S hot? what's not?

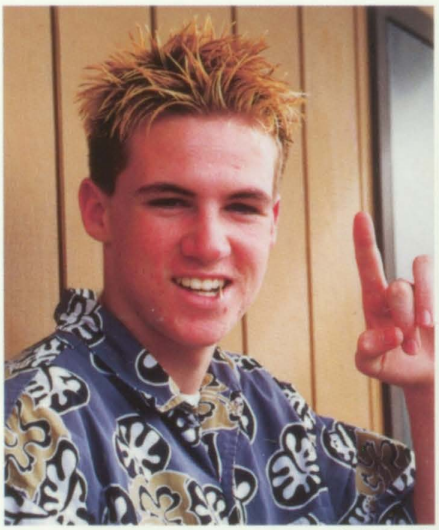
With the passing of time, teens make a point of knowing what is in and what is out

HOT	NOT
CLOTHING	
—cargo pants	—bell bottoms
—3/4 skirts	—leopard prints
—dress pants	—baggy jeans
—tech vests	—flannel
—bright colors	—dark colors
ACCESSORIES	
—prayer beads	—body spritzers
—cell phones	—pagers
—puka shell necklaces	—fake tattoo necklaces
—hair dye	—henna handprints
—rave bracelets	—excessive makeup
TV SHOWS	
—*The Man Show*	—*Beverly Hills 90210*
—*Felicity*	—*Dawson's Creek*
—*Friends*	—*Frasier*
—*The Simpsons*	—*X Files*
—WWF	—NWO
MOVIES	
—*The Matrix*	—*Blair Witch Project*
—*American Pie*	—*Wild Wild West*
—*Austin Powers 2*	—*American Beauty*
—*Sixth Sense*	—*Stigmata*
—*Fight Club*	—*The Haunting*
FOOD	
—Taco Bell	—Carl's Jr.
—Elephant Bar	—Taco Bravo
—Jamba Juice	—KFC
—Starbucks	—Bronco Billy's
—Bay Street Cafe	—Donut Shop

—*Rasheel Dhillon and Amanda Lau*



Jessica Neunzig



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Rasheel Dhillon

Julian Valencia works just as hard on his schoolwork as he does on his individuality. He infuses creativity in his daily attire.

Although it is a hassle to go to his classes in the portables, it is no trouble for Josh Stanford to stay in style. He maintains this with his fashionable haircut and Hawaiian shirt.

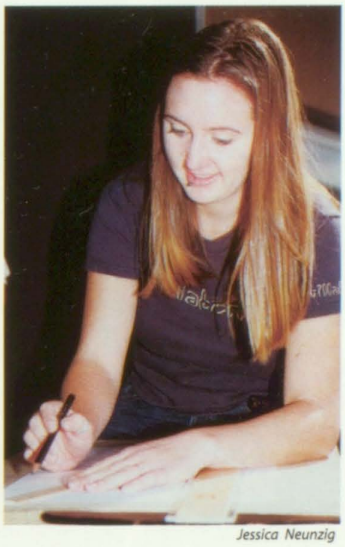
Anna Propas stays in style with her dyed hair and her metal beaded necklaces. Layering jewelry was definitely popular.



Rasheel Dhillon

Known for her color-coordinated style, Olivia Totten takes a break in the cafeteria. Olivia figures out her attire the night before including her hair color, jewelry and outfit.

Hanna Huntley's style includes a lip piercing as part of her daily attire. She is part of the growing number of IHS students that have had piercings done either on their faces or their bodies.



Jessica Neunzig



Rasheel Dhillon



Scott White

Saul Garcia and Mary Gonzalez relax after a strenuous day of classes. Despite their busy schedules, it was evident that these students knew what was hot and what was not. Mary sports her dressy pants with a cutout top. Saul goes for the plaid shirt look with loose jeans.

While drawing outside in the Horseshoe, Jessica McCulloch stays warm in her Old Navy fleece sweatshirt. Many students preferred wearing bright colored polar fleece pullovers with running pants.

Alisha Jensen rolls out the dough for the Scandinavian cookies she is baking for her family. She prefers baking over cooking full scale meals.

In Culinary Arts, Grant Smith prepares tuna noodle casserole, his specialty. Grant makes this and macaroni and cheese for family meals.



Diane Stendahl

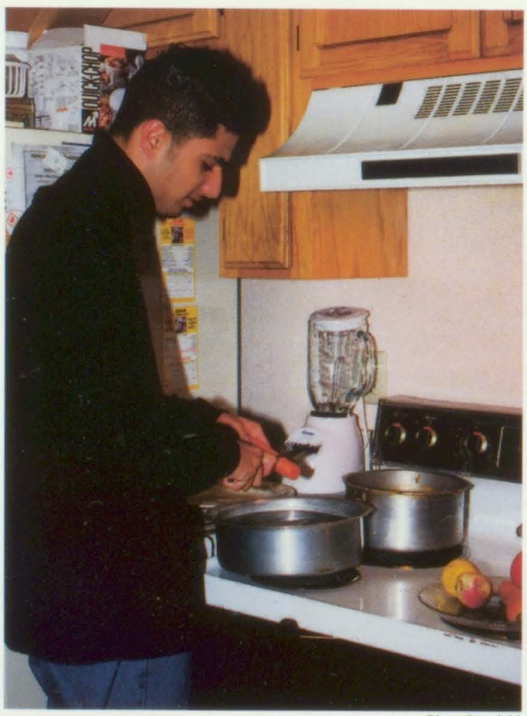


Diane Stendahl

Preparing dinner Harris Patang carefully cuts a carrot to add to torshi, similar to a vegetable stew. This dish was a specialty of his that he prepared about once a week.

With many Nicaraguan dishes from which to choose, Stephanie Castrillo decides to cook gallo pinto or chicken and beans. Her Nicaraguan heritage influenced her passion for cooking.

With the smell of boiling pho or noodle soup, Kim Pham decides to make hot and sour soup to fancy her craving. Her family requested this Vietnamese dish the most.



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Absentmindedly, sophomore Jesus Suarez decided to flip handmade tortillas in the oven with his fingers as opposed to using a spatula. As a result, his hand looked like a steak complete with grill marks. This was one cooking lesson he will soon not forget.

The youth of today lived with the technology of microwaves, Lunchables, and the convenience of fast food drive-thrus. Everything from a home cooked meal to a cake baked from scratch was now a thing of the past. But of course, some students were willing to pull out a cookbook and make their own meals.

Senior Stephanie Castrillo learned to cook from her mother. "When I was little, I helped my mother around the kitchen." This senior liked to cook Nicaraguan delicacies like arroz de leche, carne asada, and gallo pinto, as well as other dishes including tamales and pollo con arroz. She also had her share of bad days in the kitchen. For example, she said, "I was cooking this pie and I lost the recipe so I tried to wing it with other ingredients, but it turned out bad. It was drenched with moisture, and instead of tasting like pie, it tasted like mush."

Some students remembered the first time they ever cooked. Sophomore Holly Martinez recalled the first time she made a meal for her family. "The first thing I ever made for my family with my grandmother was lasagna. We made everything from scratch including the tomato sauce and the lasagna noodles. I was surprised that it turned out so good," said Holly.

mmm... mmm... mmm... GOOD

Preparing meals for a large group of people at a wedding could be a little nerve-racking and stressful, but for junior Harris Patang it was no sweat. "It was really stressful because everyone was moving in and out of the kitchen and some of the food was overcooked or too well done. But, in the end, it was an experience I would not forget." The Afghan dishes cooked for the wedding party included manteo, qurama, shola, torshi and qurut.

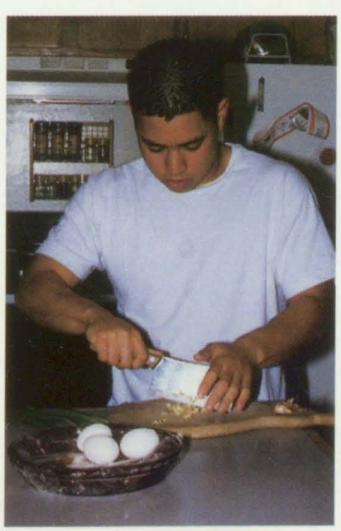
If you cannot take the heat, then get out of the bloody kitchen

When it came to cooking for her family several times a week, junior Alicia Jenson had no problem. They have not complained about her cooking. "The biggest meal I made for my family was a casserole served with salad and dinner rolls. I made a pie for dessert," said Alicia.

Though freshman Grant Smith enjoyed preparing meals, he has had to learn consequences the hard way. "I was cooking a tuna noodle casserole in the oven and thought I could put foil over the dish because I could not find the lid to it. But later it burned and overflowed in the oven, and it took me several hours cleaning up the dish and the oven."

—*Diane Stendahl & Richelle Nobles*

Although not all Irvington students had the benefit of enjoying a home cooked meal, these students could share their culinary skills with family and friends.



Diane Stendahl

Rupa Makadia decides to go all out cooking a vegetarian meal for her family. Her favorite cooking ingredients included carrots and tomatoes.

Not too far from perfect, Holly Martinez decides to add more meat to her famous dish of Arizona Chili. She learned the recipe for this spicy dish from her grandmother.



Diane Stendahl



Diane Stendahl

Unable to choose between regular onions and green onions, Mike Lee decides to combine both to make a distinctive taste in his fried rice. Mike cooks once a week for his family.

TOYS transport teens back in time

To infinity and beyond, Irvington students tell about their toy stories

Not needing shelves, Katherine Tadina strings her plush toys across her walls. Her favorite stuffed animal was none other than Winnie-the-Pooh.

Battling to be the ultimate Pokémon master, Russell Rose plays with little brother J.R. Russell once owned Charizard, but sold it for a tidy profit.

Becky Simones flips through her favorite comic, *Oh, My Goddess!* Becky also collects *Tenchi Muyo, Urusei Yatsura, Ranma 1/2,* and *X-Men.*



Jason Chan



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Jason Chan

"Well, I suffered a great tragedy on October 17, 1989, when, during the earthquake, my T-Rex Dino-Rider fell off the shelf and cracked its leg open. I was crushed," said Matt Cunha recalling the painful memory of early toy collecting. Matt's toy dino still stands vigil on the woodpile in his side yard.

Everyone had toys but most students outgrew them as childhood faded away. Some amassed sizable toy collections from birthdays past, but few could compare to the fanatical antics of student toy collectors.

Matt Rojanakiathavorn could not be disputed as the ultimate Irvington collector. This senior's collection was larger than his last name. Models of legendary starships or action figures of Star Trek's famous characters took up every available tabletop and shelf space in his tiny room. The action figures numbered nearly 400 with more to come.

Most people had posters or awards on their walls. Freshman Katherine Tadina displayed her collection of about 200 stuffed animals on all four sides of her room. She revealed that she was nice and playful like her plush toys. Katherine has collected them since elementary school as gifts and prizes from carnivals.

Shazia Bashiruddin, freshman, had her shelves overflowing with Troll dolls. Their odd yet cute appearance drew Shazia to the creatively hair-styled dolls. Her Troll collection ran rampant with over 100 dolls. One day Shazia's pet parrot flew into her bedroom and went on a Troll toppling rampage. She compared herself to these trolls. "I am wild and funny like them," said Shazia.

Make way for Pokémon! These overly cute and cuddly creatures were in total sight, but sophomore Russell Rose did not mind them in card form. "First my little brother collected these cards, and then I caught on," said Russell. His top Pokémon was a bird called Zapados, the most powerful card in Russell's vast collection of nearly 1200 cards.

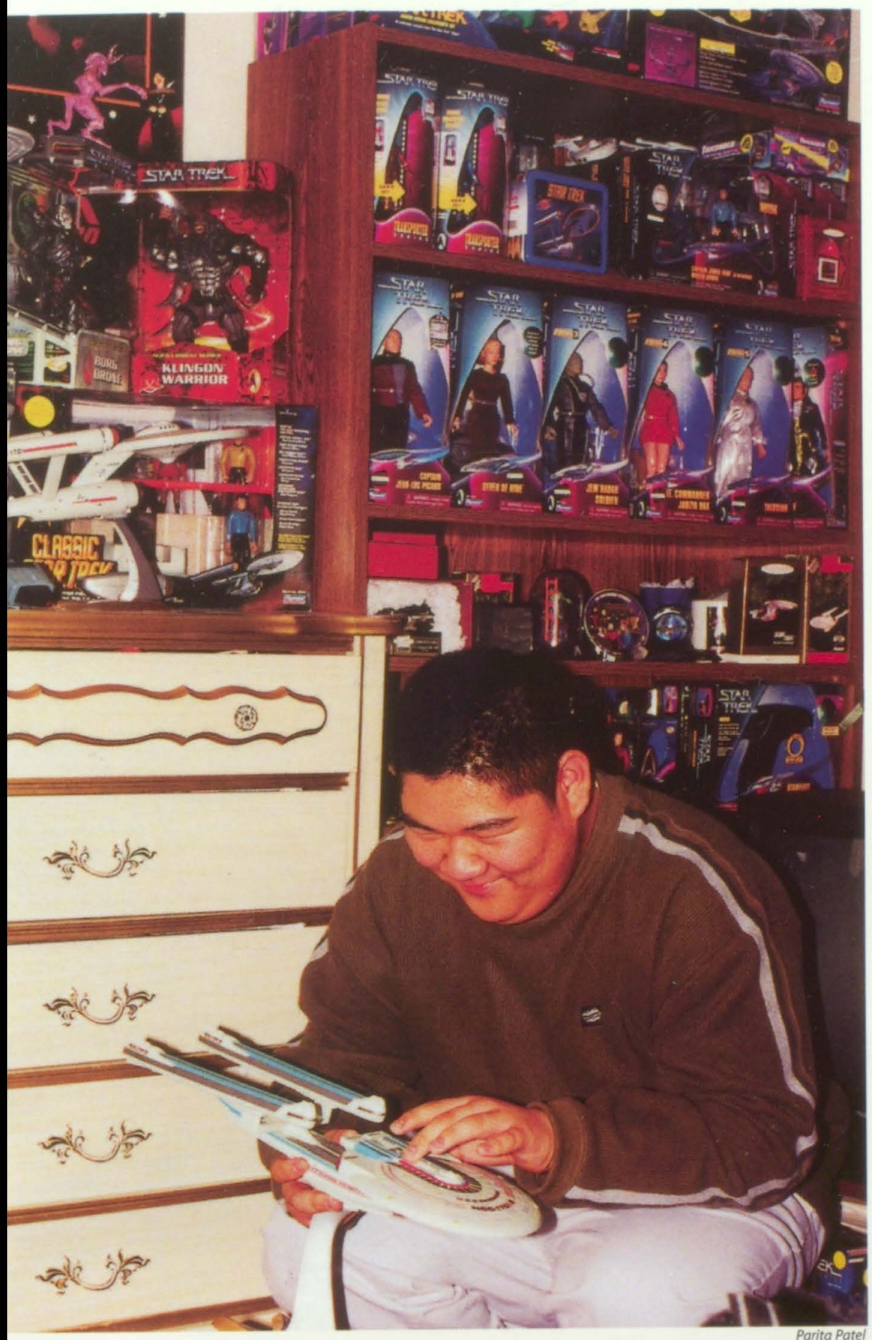
Sophomore Becky Simones collected everything from Japanese comic books to classic Disney movies to all the McDonald's Beanie Babies. Becky's collection of about 75 Japanese comics represented how much she liked illustrated art. Her acquisition of one Disney movie, *Cinderella*, was quite unconventional. "We borrowed it from a friend to watch, and we never gave it back!" said Becky.

A room filled with *Star Wars Episode I* gear could not be any other than senior Matt Cunha's. Matt's favorite type of toy was the classic action figure. Why? As Matt so eloquently said, "Because most of them are so damn poseable!" He displayed a considerable collection of 52 unopened *Star Wars* figures plus three vehicles.

Kevin Lin, junior, could brag that his model toy car collection rivaled his real life Mercedes-Benz. He had about 50 scale-sized cars. Kevin's favorite vehicle was called the Jeff Gordon Chromalusion, changed color in different light. Kevin compared himself to his reliable and fast German model cars. How was he fast? "My mind wanders away from places too quickly," said Kevin.

Childhood was filled with toys and these Irvington students wanted to retain the good ol' days. What better way than to keep on collecting toys?

—*Jason Chan and Parita Patel*



Parita Patel

Matt Rojanakiathavorn demonstrates the battery operated capabilities of his toy starship. Matt's favorite model is a space station called Deep Space Nine.

Dusting his *Star Wars* action figures with tender care, Matt Cunha displays his favorite character, Darth Maul. Matt has reenacted duels from the movies with his light saber.



Jason Chan



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Jason Chan

Polishing his dream Mercedes, Kevin Lin will gladly trade in his real Benz for this one. Kevin also collected model civilian aircraft but doubted he would ever get one.

Shazia Bashiruddin rearranges her favorite Troll back to its former splendor. Her grandparents contributed to her Troll collection by giving her this purple-haired version.

At the Irvington Community Center, Bryan Dorrell hits the rails while rollerblading. He loves the rush he gets from the fear of knowing that he might get hurt.



Sarah Atfield



After a hard day of school, Robert Naokes plays a few beats on the drums to get out his frustrations. He took lessons and then practiced when he got stressed out.



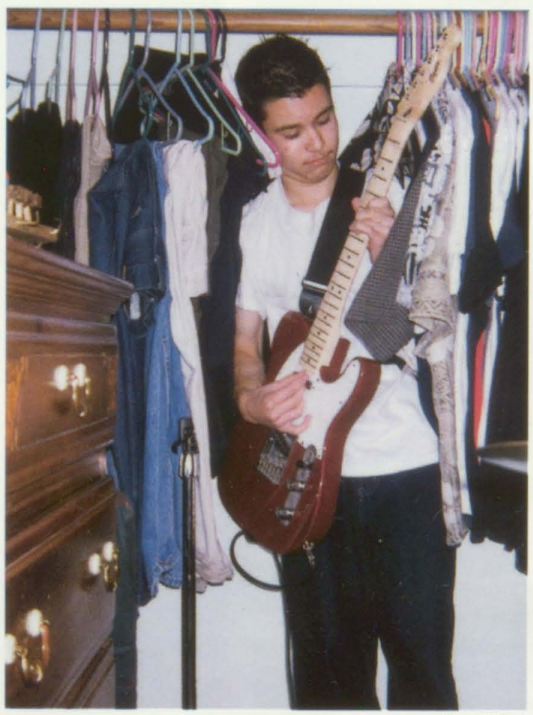
Amy Richards

Playing computer games, Steven Stendahl takes his mind off of his stress. He played hours of clan matches in the process.



Shilpa Andalkar

Maintaining his sanity, Mike Foster strums his guitar on a regular basis. Mike also accompanies his guitar playing with a harmonica.



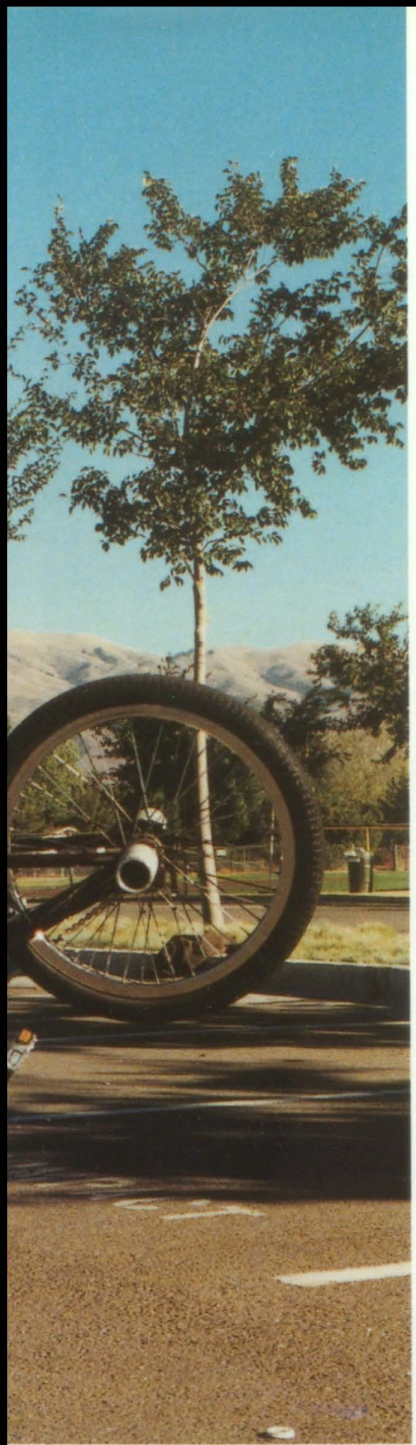
Sarah Atfield

When his heavy academic schedule gets to him, Steven Fan practices tricks on his Chinese yo-yo. After two years of lessons, this has became a hobby for him.

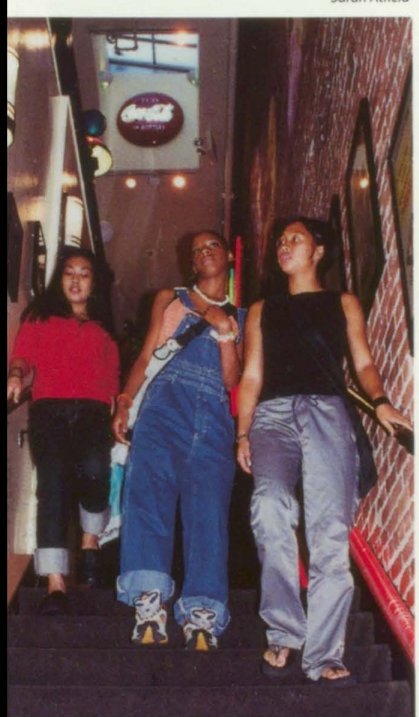


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Kurt Del Rosario

just striving to stay SANE

Nearly four years ago, Mike Foster's introduction to guitar playing started when he heard great music and wanted to be a part of it. "I get lost in a different world and forget about everything that bothers me like homework and parents," said Mike about his guitar playing.

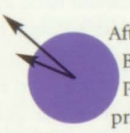
As the school year progressed, the homework piled up and the stress-o-meter started to rise! Students began to show signs of stress: bad hair days, dark circles under their eyes, and wrinkled clothes. But some students had remedies for the stress syndrome.

- Not getting enough sleep can make anyone tense and irritable, but even a short nap helped. Junior Tim Munro liked to catch some Z's at Grimmer Elementary School so he could wake up in a new state of mind. He always brought something to drink with him. He said, "When I sleep, I need to have a drink right beside me to keep me asleep."
- Junior Mike Foster has spent most of his life listening to tunes from rock artists like Eric Clapton and The Black Crowes. He said, "After watching them on TV and listening to their music so much, I just started getting jealous of the lucky guys." About three years ago, Mike started playing the guitar and harmonica to relieve his stress.
- Senior Leslie Abarientos found that by turning to music, she could relieve the stress that she received from her family. She said, "When I'm upset, angry, stressed, sad, or if I'm just bored, I put on some music depending on my mood." Leslie found that listening to R&B could help her when she was feeling depressed.
- For about a year, sophomore Brandon Amaro has been fighting his stress by grubbin' on food that might not be considered the healthiest for anybody. Brandon said, "I eats sweet stuff because it's pleasurable." Brandon discovered that although it did not pay off in any way by eating sweet food, he could calm himself down from the pressures of school.
- When sophomore Ruel Deguzman got stressed out, he played around with mixes to take his mind off of things. Ruel said, "When I reach a high level of stress, I drop everything and make up something creative. For Ruel, putting together the puzzling rhythms of music helped him deal with his stress.

As time goes on, finding stress relievers is necessary for survival

—*Sarah Atfield and Amy Richards*

Whether it was eating food, sleeping, or playing any music or instruments, students found that there was always something that they can do to relieve their stress after a hard day of dealing with school, family and friends.

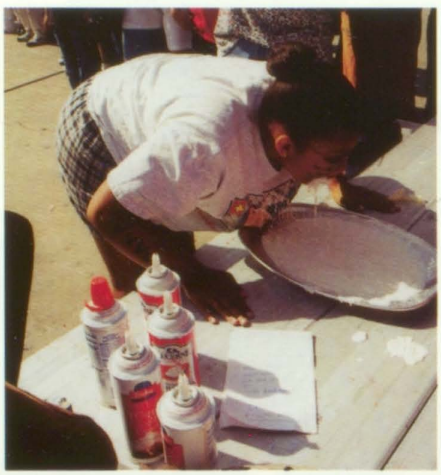


After school, Brian Pimentel practices on his bike. Brian has been doing tricks for about a year and has begun to take it more seriously.

Enjoying their day in San Francisco, Destinee Salangsang, Hana Rashada and Rio Del Rosario stop to have lunch at a diner. They found that the best way to break through stress is to get out of town.

Jenny Van ducks her head to miss the water gushing out of the leaky bucket during the Bucket Brigade. The Freshman Class took last in this event.

Not afraid to get down and dirty for her class, Natasha Fitzgerald dives in the pan full of whipped cream and looks for the ball without using her hands. After getting whipped cream all over her mouth, nose and pajamas, Natasha finally found the hidden ball.



Kurt Del Rosario



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Jessica Neunzig

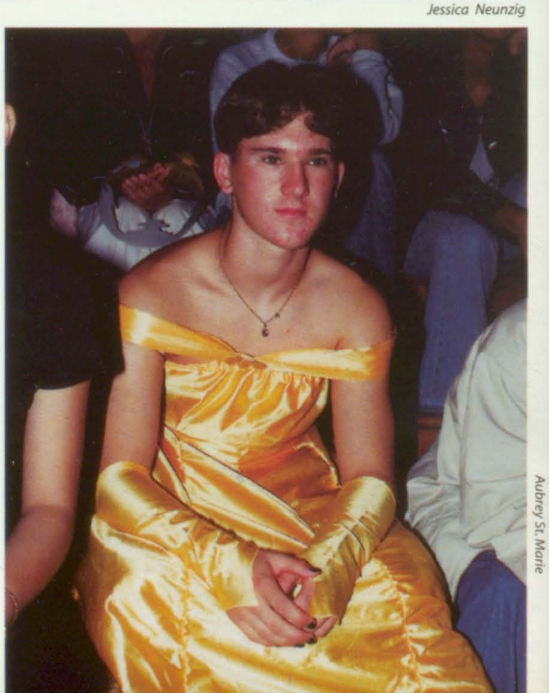
With careful hand eye coordination, Jessica Hokett and Natasha Fitzgerald pass the egg back and forth down the line. Trying hard not to drop it, Jessica and Natasha only dropped the egg once.

Putting on a pair of dripping wet shorts, Paul Salas participates in the Wacky Relay. Trying not to fall, Paul still managed to get the shorts on successfully and run to the finish line with a great time for his class.

Showing true Viking spirit, Michael McLaughlin went beyond the call of duty by dressing up in a dress for his class. From his sparkling necklace to his painted nails to his ladylike manner in sitting, Michael fit right in this fairytale world.



Kurt Del Rosario



Aubrey St. Marie

in a faraway land, once upon a TIME

Freshmen prove that some fairytales really do come true

The biggest surprise for the Class of 2003 was during Spirit Week when the rumor about the freshmen having their teachers do all the work for them started. The Freshman Class was taken aback by this rumor. Except for some assistance by their adviser, Ms. Ladonna Gundling, the class organized everything them-

Once upon a time in the land of Irvington, far, far, away lived the Fairytale Freshmen. They woke up from their spell and put up a tough fight for their first Spirit Week. They showed their fellow classes and teachers that they were not going to take the freshman "last place" role. They were going to draw their swords and put up a fight.

These princes and princesses were not afraid to get messy in the lunchtime games. The Freshman Class showed true Viking spirit while they cheered their classmates on in the relays. Although the freshmen came in last for both relays, they held their hopes up for Bucket Brigade and persisted. After participating, Sarah Fernandez said, "They (the games) were fun and competitive. For the most part they were well organized! They actually kind of surprised me."

For the All-Sport Day, the freshmen came dressed in the jerseys of their favorite teams. On Tuesday, they rolled out of bed and came to school in the true clothing of choice, p.j's. Being unseasonably hot Wednesday, the freshmen dressed appropriately in swimsuits, flower print Hawaiian shirts and dresses, and leis. For their theme day, the freshmen glittered in their dazzling jewels and gowns.

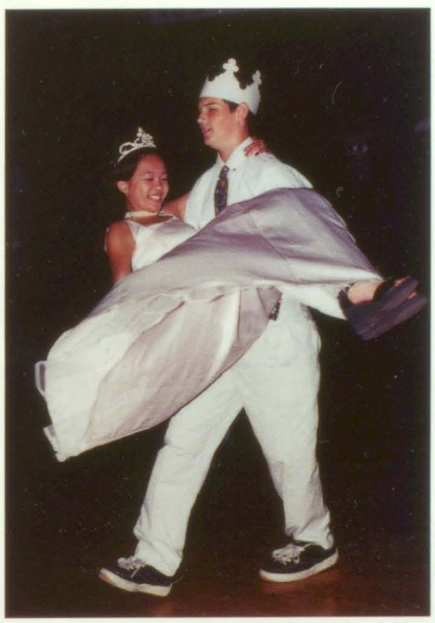
Getting into the fairytale theme, the freshmen let their imaginations roll for their bench, skit and dance. From Alice in Wonderland's Cheshire Cat to Snow White's magic mirror on the wall, the freshman bench covered it all. At the overnighter, the Class of 2003 had an unexpected visit from the seniors in the form of raw eggs. Fortunately the bench was in the back of the house and nothing was ruined. Victoria Hill said, "Oh, all the freshmen who came worked really hard, and I think our bench proved that. The point is we had fun, and our bench looked good!"

During the Class of 2003's skit, they did not even need to think twice to fight back when their princess was taken prisoner. Her Prince Charming came to her rescue, fought with the evil American students, and then carried her off to live happily ever after in the kingdom of Irvington.

With no experience in preparing for Spirit Week , the freshmen with their bench, skit and participation proved that fairytales could come true.

—*Jessica Neunzig and Aubrey St. Marie*

After fighting for his princess, Grant Smith picked up Enny Van and brought her to their fellow classmates. Once reunited with their class, the Class of 2003 celebrated their defeat over American.

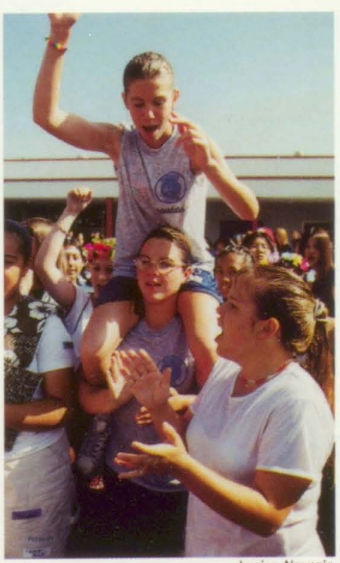


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Filled with childhood characters, like the Cheshire Cat and the Tin Man, the freshman bench had it all. The big storybook, which consisted of all the freshman names, was special to the entire class.



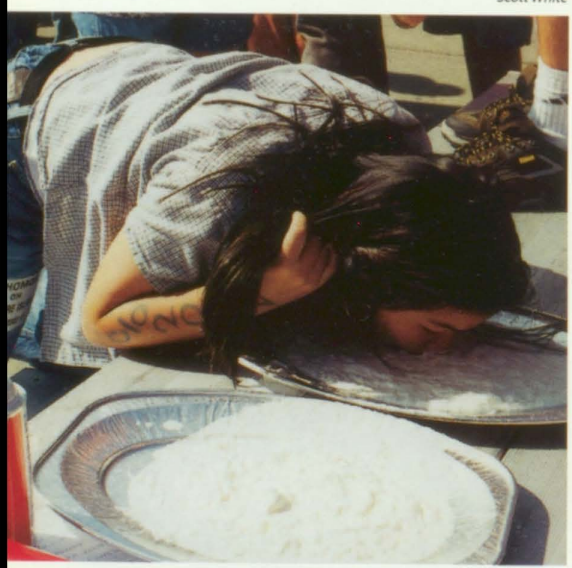
Jessica Neunzig

After the Bucket Brigade, freshman classmates cheer for the Class of 2003. Chelsea Whitfield sat on top of Danielle Genberg's shoulders while friend Sarah Fernandez made her voice heard during the lunchtime cheering.

During Tuesday's games, Jenny Lee gets dizzy for her class. Surprisingly she managed to finish her part of the game and still keep her balance.



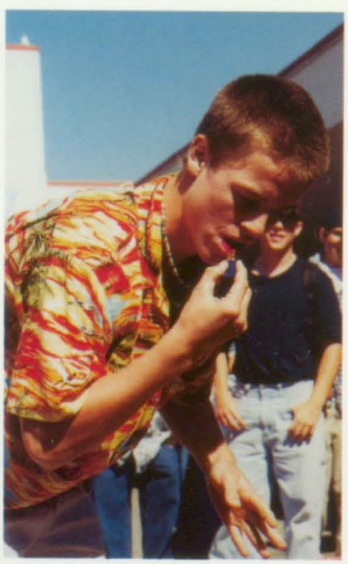
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Tiffany Lee searches for treasure in the whipped cream pie during the Power Pool games. Thanks to Tiffany's appetite, the Class of 2002 ate their way to third place.

As part of the Whacked Out Relay, Ryan Buchanan participates by putting on shocking red lipstick. The next step in the relay was to run down and tag his partner.



"During the sophomores' overnighter, everything was all finished, and we were ready to relax. Suddenly around 2 a.m., a dog ran over our bench and it collapsed, making us have to join together as a true class and rebuild our bench," said Zaman Virani. In the end, they redid their bench in less than five hours!

DANGER *on the high seas*

Sophomore pirates set their class on a course for glory and victory

"Yo, ho, ho, and a bottle of rum" chanted the pirates of Irvington on their way in search of the treasure. The sophomores defended the Irvington spirit as a pirate would defend his treasure. "Sophomores on Treasure Island" sailed through Spirit Week, letting nothing get in their way.

The Class of 2002 filled the hallways each day costumed according to their class dress up days. On Monday, the sophomores converted Irvington into their own luau as they wore Hawaiian printed shirts, grass skirts, and leis. Tuesday, the sophomores showed up in vibrant colors dressed as Superman and other superheroes like Batman, Spiderman and Wonder Woman. On Wednesday, the class arrived with scars, bruises, broken arms and legs looking as if they had just fought a battle. On Thursday, they showed up with eye patches and bandanas, making them look like the pirates of the Caribbean.

During the games, the Class of 2002 fought a hard battle getting them in first place on Tuesday's games and second on Wednesday's. They raised their sails and passed up the freshmen with enthusiasm, motivation, and their unwillingness to give up.

During the sophomores' skit, the audience imagined they were on Treasure Island, searching for the map that would lead them to the secret of how to win the Homecoming Game. The sophomores managed to get the map back from the American pirates. Afterwards, they had a victory dance to the Backstreet Boys as they celebrated American's defeat.

The sophomores' sleepless night paid off when everyone saw the effort they had put into the bench at the overnighter. The bench looked like an abandoned ship on the edge of the shore on Treasure Island. Laura Clay offered her house as the workplace for the bench to be made.

—*Johanna Murrain and Tamara Lukas*

Even though this was the last Spirit Week of this Millennium, the Class of 2002 showed their spirit as though it were the first. They earned third place honors, but there was no shortage of teamwork. Sophomore Carlene Minyen said, "Spirit Week was really cool because it was the last Spirit Week of this Millennium, and we showed a lot of enthusiasm."



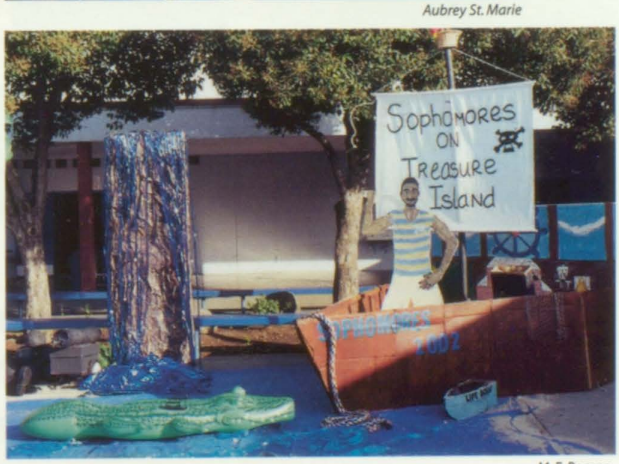
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During the Spirit Week games, Maria Salido, Elicia Van Rosendale, Mierya Morales, Jessica Supnet and Emory Lee cheer their class on. They chanted, "Oh, ah, you wish you were a sophomore!"

Always the good shipmate, Elicia Van Rosendale gets soaked in the Bucket Brigade. She helped the sophomores earn third place.



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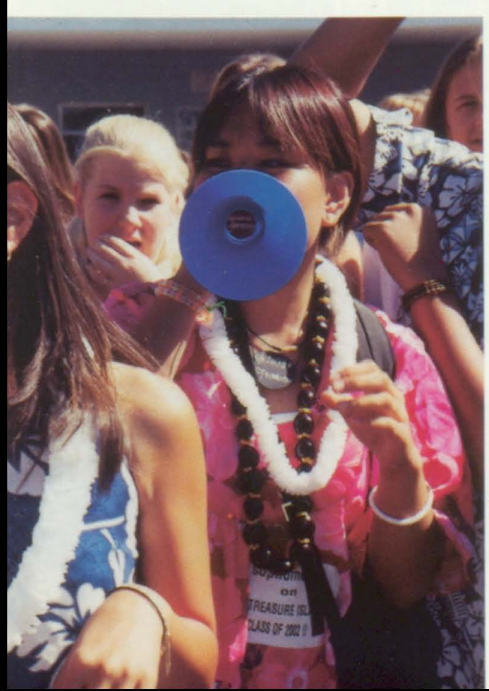


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The bench shows a pirate sailing the seas as an alligator hungrily looks on. The bench was the product of a sleepless night at Laura Clay's house.

On Hawaiian Day, Erica Ramos cheers on her classmates. This support helped the Class of 2002 take the Whacked Out Relay.

During the sophomore's skit, Melody Fontanilla, Kenny Jungar and Mai-Anh Dinh make their plan on how to retrieve the treasure map. Luckily, they managed to get the map and recover the Irvington spirit, too!



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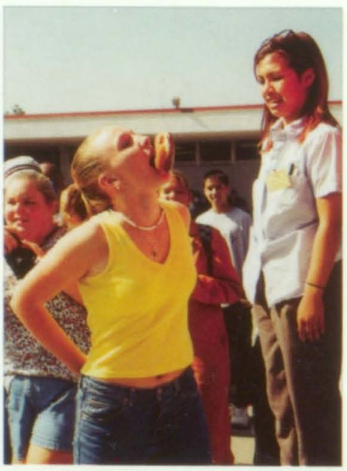


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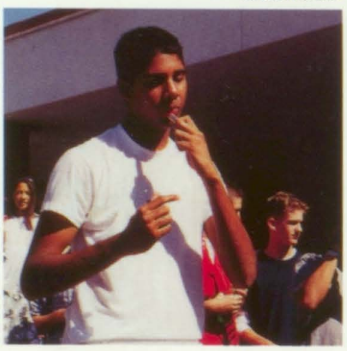
Shannon Baird snares her donut during Tuesday's Whacked Out Relay. The juniors took third place in this event.

During Monday's Power Pool game, Prakash Gopinath puts on candy red lipstick. Prakash said he endured the lipstick "... because I really wanted to win."

Lisa Covey, Jennifer Sese, Erica Terry and Desiree Jabson participate in a class cheer. The juniors took second in spirit.



Kurt Del Rosario



Aubrey St. Marie



Shilpa Andalkar

Two days before the performance, the juniors unexpectedly found out that their song was inappropriate for the dance. Ryan Rose and Erica Terry changed the song and dance and the juniors made a mad dash to get it perfect on the overnighter. "I was disappointed that we had to change it at the last minute. We did great because of all the support from the junior class," said Sarena Ayres.

JAILBIRD *juniors break out*

"Let's rock, everybody, let's rock." The juniors got freaky during Spirit Week. The Jailbird Juniors proved to all the other classes that they were not losers, but winners.

The Class of 2001 dug their way to victory in Monday's Spirit Week game. Power Pool started with Ryan Rose racing to get the blue ball floating in the bucket of whipped cream and cereal-filled water. Seconds later, Prakash Gopinath put on sexy red lipstick. Lisa Covey and Robert Dort slipped into their wooden skis and slid their way to the finish line and captured first place. Tuesday's game was the Whacked Out Relay which consisted of egg throwing and donut eating. On Wednesday, Catherine Pomeroy, Eric Walmer and others passed leaky buckets of water over their heads in the Bucket Brigade.

Placing unique hats and colorful wigs on their heads, the juniors showed their spirit on Wacky Hat and Crazy Wig Day. Tuesday was the garbage-man inspired Highway Pick-Up Day. The Class of 2001 arrived at school on Wednesday wearing their class T-shirts for Class T-shirt Day. On the fourth day of Spirit Week, the Jailbird Juniors showed up in stripes and handcuffs for their theme day.

Bad boys, bad boys, bad boys, whatcha gonna do when they come for you?

On Wednesday night, the juniors put the finishing touches on the skit and dance. Many people showed up for the overnighter including Vanessa Miranda, Erica Terry and Mark Reynolds. Ryan Rose said, "Everyone showed up on the overnighter and put a lot of effort into the skit and dance."

Thursday was judgment day and the unveiling of the juniors' bench. To carry out their Jailbird theme, the bench included a cell, security guard and a bus full of convicted South Park children. Bench building was held at Rebecca Morgan's house. The inmates who participated most in the making of the bench were Ryan Rose, Erica Terry, Jennifer Sese, Alison Pinto, Rebecca Morgan, Courtney Delzompo and Veronica Caballero.

The skit started with Robert Dort being sentenced to death by American High School. He was accused of vandalizing American when it was really American students who vandalized their own school. Who was to rescue him? It was none other than the Jailbird Juniors. The Jailbirds had a dance off with American and showed them that Irvington students were better dancers.

"Everybody in the whole cell block was dancin' to the Jailhouse Rock." The Class of 2001 rocked the house and showed that they would not settle for last place, but second place was a decent reward for their hard work.

—Christina Garcia and Ann Lan



Aubrey St. Marie

In the skit, Robert Dort awaits his punishment from Ms. Beth Hite, class adviser, for vandalizing American. Playing the role of the executioners, Rebecca Morgan and Casi Maggio place the sizzling helmet on his head.

Battling against American, Ryan Rose and Veronica Calallero get their groove on in the Jailbirds' dance. They showed that Irvington dancers were better than American dancers.



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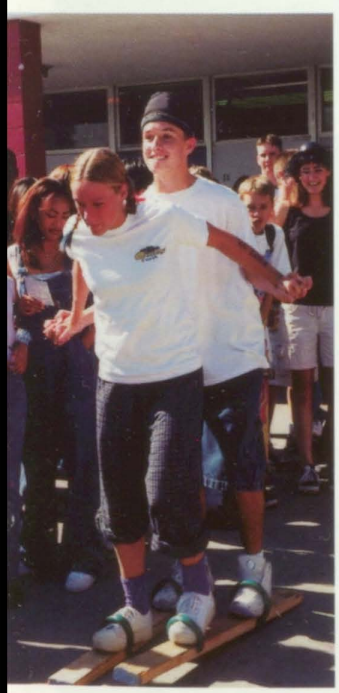


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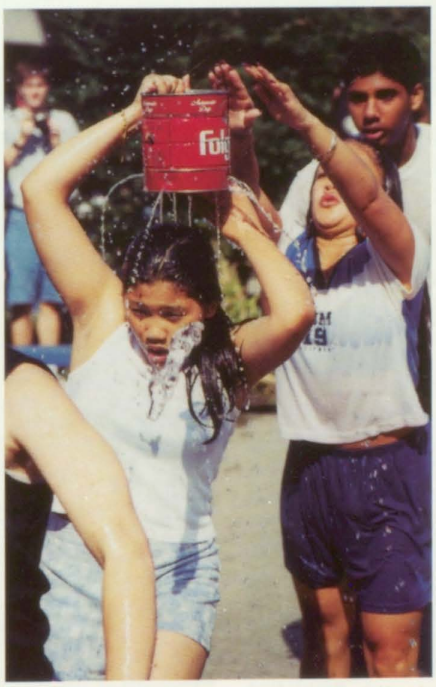
After days of hard work, the junior bench is up and ready for release on Thursday. The bench included a well-made bed, an almost real security guard and a horrifying electric chair.

Lisa Covey and Robert Dort slide their way across the Courtyard during Monday's lunch time game. The juniors took first in Power Pool.

During the Bucket Brigade on Wednesday, Jennifer Sese passes the leaking, water-filled coffee can to Desiree Jabson. Sadly, the soggy juniors took third place in this game.



Shilpa Andalkar



Kurt Del Rosario

On the second day of Spirit Week, Shannon Purvis tries to eat a donut hanging from a string. Although the seniors tried, they could not beat the sophomores' time in the relay.

On Saddle Up Seniors Day, Can Can Girls Diana Huynh, Sarah Hughes and Samantha Follett perform their dance to *Cotton-Eyed Joe*. In the skit, the seniors beat American in a thumb war.



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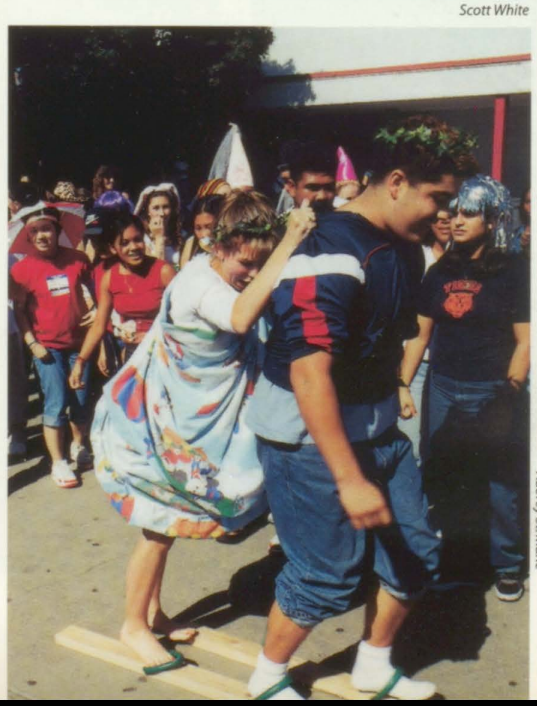
At high noon in the Courtyard stands the senior bench. The bench included a graveyard, a Western town, covered wagons and even a locomotive.

On Senior Citizen's Day, David Lorenzo participates in the lunchtime dance. The seniors performed a different dance for each dress up day.

In the game of Pool Power, Sarah Hughes and Louis Pedroza race to the finish on their planks. They helped the seniors place second in the event.



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SENIORS *in the wild wild west*

Seniors Saddle Up for their last Spirit Week at Irvington

The Class of 2000 had such a large number of items in their bench that it took over an hour and a half and seven trucks to transport it all from Laura Nielsen's house to school. On the way over to the school, the seniors were worried that something destructive was going to happen to their bench. There was a rumor that the Freshman Class was going to strike back against the seniors.

Yee-haw! Grabbing their cowboy boots and hats, the seniors saddled up for their Spirit Week showdown. As Saddle Up Seniors, they got ready for their last Spirit Week at Irvington.

Toga Day kicked off Spirit Week for the seniors. They came in attire ranging from simple white to bright orange sheets with other added accessories such as wreaths. Come Tuesday, the class aged 50 years overnight for Senior Citizen Day. Melissa Spitzenberger even used a walker as she went through the halls demanding, "Give me my senior discount!" Prepared for the end of the Millennium, the seniors shirted up in black and silver t-shirts for Senior Class T-Shirt Day.

For the first day of games, Marvin Fontanilla and Sarah Hughes participated in a messy game of Pool Power, consisting of a bucketful of soggy Fruit Loops. They helped the seniors place second in the event. Marvin said, "It was a fun game, but I did not like the lipstick!" On Tuesday, the class participated in the Whacked Out Relay where they had to find a ring in whipped cream and, without using their hands, eat a donut hanging from a string. The seniors managed to place second in this event as well. For the final day of games, the Class of 2000 was ready for the long-awaited Bucket Brigade, where they took first place.

At the overnighter on Wednesday, the Class of 2000 gathered together at Laura Nielsen's house to put the final touches on the bench and go through a final run of the skit and dance. The crew painted lanterns and wrote all the seniors' names on the back of the locomotive. Jenilee Gomez said, "It went really well. A lot of seniors got involved. Without their involvement, we couldn't have won."

Thursday was finally here, and the seniors were saddled up and ready to go. During the lunchtime skit, Irvington's football was stolen, which led to a thumb war showdown between Lewis Jackson and Arhmond Jackson. Lewis won the showdown and Irvington recovered their football and went on to play American High School in the Homecoming Game.

—*Scott White*

In the end, the seniors won the Triple Crown for best bench, skit, and the most spirit. Class Vice-President Laura Nielsen said, "Spirit Week was a lot of fun, and I am happy that we won, but I'm glad it's over."



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After winning the Triple Crown for Spirit Week, Senior Class Vice-President Laura Nielsen gives her acceptance speech. Class President Patrick Morris gladly accepts the trophy.

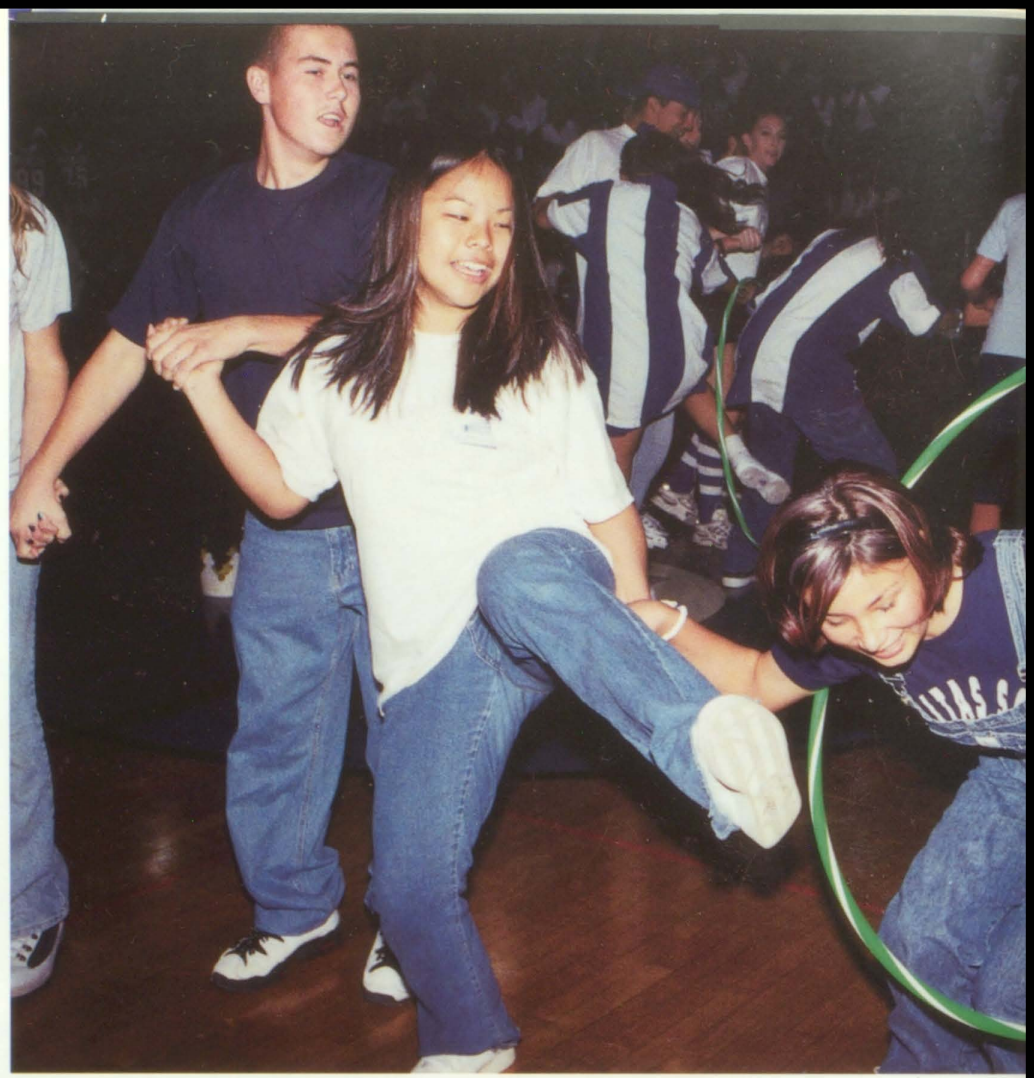
During the lunchtime cheering, Victor Wong and Ashkan Dorodyan shout out their senior cheers. "Oh, ah, you wish you were a senior!"

In the Whacked Out Relay, Melissa Spitzenberger frantically spins around in circles. She tries to beat the freshmen who so far had the best time in the relay.

To unite classes, Chad Spangler, Jenny Lee and Becky Simones work together to pass a hula-hoop through the line. After a week of competition, the rally game had members from all four classes in each team.

The coronation of Jenny Burbank as Homecoming Queen and Marvin Fontanilla as Mr. Viking is the highlight of the Ball. They then danced to *Wishing On A Star*.

"Go, Vikes" screams Dallas Tringali as he pumps up the crowd at the Homecoming Game. He was one of the many who kept the crowd alive during the game.





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The 1999 Homecoming Court: Front row: Jenny Burbank, Marvin Fontanilla. Back row: Sean McGuire, Miriam Carvalho, Jose Salazar, Abeda Bayanzai, Laura Nielsen, Gene Kendall, Elizabeth Phan and Victor Wong.

At the Coronation Ball, Will Nguyen dances with Jessica Supnet. People were eager to get back onto the dance floor after the false fire alarm.

Lucy Kendall and Christine Gervasi hold the IHS Marching Band sign as the band plays the Monday Night Football theme song. This was the first year the band performed in full uniform at the Unity Day Rally.



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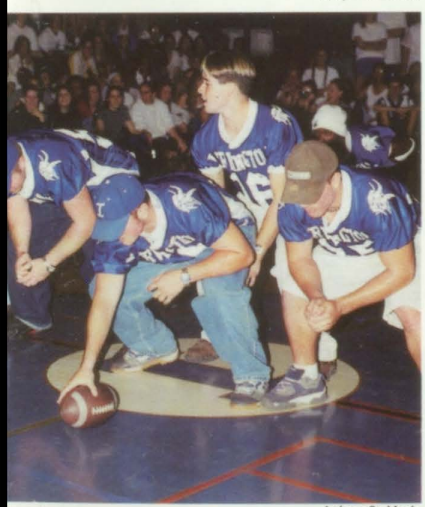
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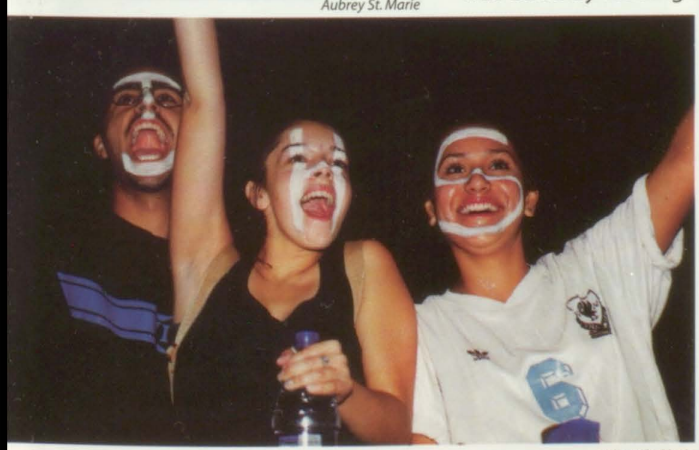
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Toward the end of the Homecoming Game, as victory for the Vikings was almost definite, players from the team dumped two coolers of ice cold water over Coach Spain's head. "It was cold," said Coach Spain matter-of-factly.

sometimes it is a bug's LIFE

Was it the Y2K bug hitting a little early? All of the strange events during Spirit Week led up to what anyone would call a virus attack.

I-H-S...VIKINGS!!! It all started with the band marching in playing *What I Like About You*. They were not the only ones encouraging unity; so were the cheerleaders with their routines. The games continued the theme of a team effort especically when students from each class had to race getting a hula-hoop around their bodies while holding hands. The unity of the classes was even more important since the week had been filled with pranks that had backfired. The formal part of the rally was the introduction of the Homecoming Court. The rally's final note was Coach Bob Spain introducing the 1999 Football Team.

"Touchdown Vikings...!" was the refrain of the announcer during the game, especially with Lewis Jackson scoring five touchdowns. The announcer then revealed that the seniors took the Triple Crown title in spirit, skit and dance, and bench. During the second half of the game, the enthusiasm increased since the Vikings led the Eagles. The final score was 41 Irvington, 15 American.

Bzzzz...sounded the fire alarm. Although there was not really a fire during the Coronation Ball, the false alarm got people's attention. A short in the circuit caused the fire alarm to go off three times that day; unfortunately, one of the times was during the Ball. As if this were not bad enough, that was only one of the mishaps during the evening. "Poor communication with the deejay created only problems at the dance," said Ms. Julie Myers, activities director. "It was all right except for the fact that the lights were on for about a half an hour," said junior Kristine Scoles. The scoreboard stood in as an alternative to the lights.

Going along with the freshman theme, Fairytale Freshmen, the announcement of the Homecoming Queen and Mr. Viking was done by reading a fairytale story. The winners were Jennifer Burbank and Marvin Fontanilla. As Mr. Viking, Marvin said, "It was interesting. It was like a self-booster to be recognized for all the hard work, since others may have deserved it more than myself." Homecoming Queen Jennifer Burbank said, "It was a shocking yet weird experience for me. I didn't really expect it. I can't really describe it in words." After the many mishaps, most students went away with a positive memory from the night. "I had a lot of fun. It was like a dream," said sophomore Holly Martinez.

Without any more bugs hitting, Spirit Week ended on a positive note.

—*Loni Lasseter and Amy Thomas*

Despite Y2K whammy, Vikes continue their winning streak

During the Unity Day Rally, Varsity Football players Nick Krell, Kevin Huntzinger, Rick Conti and Mike Reeves perform a play. The team used similar moves to defeat American, 41-15.

"Go, Vikes!!" cheer Nima Khanghahi, Claudia Pasahan-Vila and Gisel Calvillo. Many students painted their faces and bodies to show Viking pride.

At her church's Bible School, Wendy Lundeen carries Jillian while she tears paper for her sister Haley to use. Wendy volunteers as a teacher's aide every Sunday morning.

Elizabeth Phan says good-bye to the dog she trained for the blind. She has volunteered for over 1000 hours doing things such as camp counseling and campus clean-up.

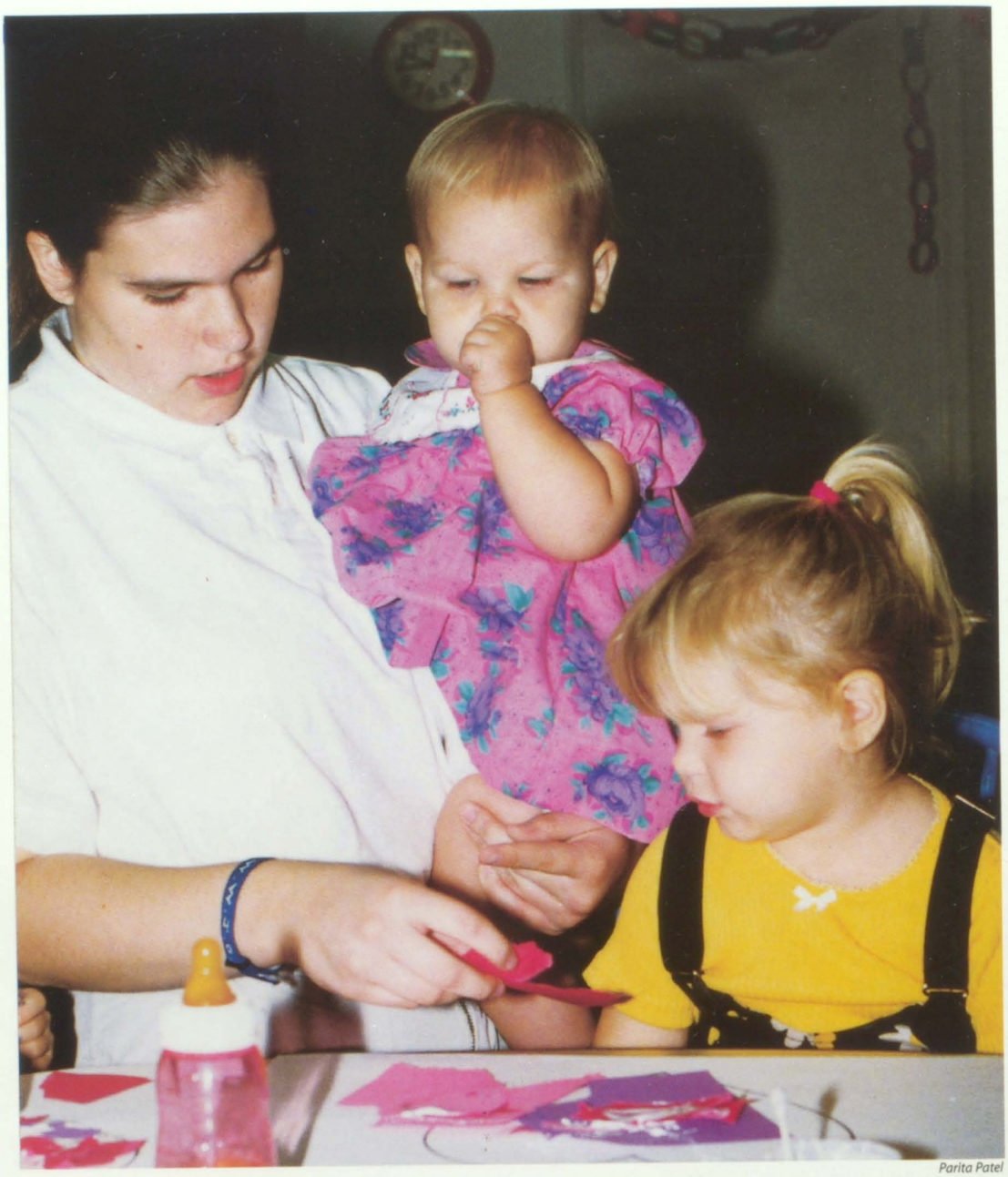


Courtesy of Elizabeth Phan

At the Tri-City Children's Center, Lynn Luo makes beds for the children. She loves to work with the children and especially tie their shoes.

Just starting to work with blind students at the pool at the School for the Blind, Elena Vera talks to the coach. In the pool, she supervises the students' swim time.

At the November 1999 Blood Drive, Melissa Spitzenberger tries to keep a happy face as her blood is being drawn. Melissa and students like her donated blood to help out others not to earn Service Learning hours.



Parita Patel



Scott White





teens set out to save the WORLD

Wendy Lundeen was assisting her mom at Bible school. The lesson for the day was to show whom they loved. One of the little tykes was doing some art work and she said, "My hands are all gluey, and it won't come off!" Wendy was laughing so hard her eyes teared up.

Milton Berle said, "If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door." Irvington Vikes stepped closer to saving the world by saving the community first. Students did service projects to meet their high school graduation requirement, but there still were a few who served the community from the goodness of their hearts.

- "I used to do service for the requirement, but now I do service because it makes me feel proud of myself," said Elena Vera, junior. Elena felt appreciated by the community when she volunteered at the California School for the Blind. Elena guided blind children when they were swimming. Elena made the community part of her busy schedule.
- Senior Thang Pham volunteered at Tri-City Homeless Coalition Center once every week. He started this project as a sophomore because he had a lot of spare time. Thang enjoyed working with this center especially since it relieved him of his academic stress. Thang prepared lunches and took phone calls at the front desk. He also gave a listening ear to anyone who needed it.
- Involved with the community and IHS, junior Ryan Hughes worked with the Senior Recreation Manager for the City of Fremont. Ryan helped to plan the Teen Multicultural Festival in December at Irvington. Ryan's work helped diversify the community with various festivals or programs. Ryan was proud to see that other people were expressing their culture.
- Jane Nobles, sophomore, tutors students at Forest Park Elementary School. She tutored students twice every week in English. At first she thought this was an easy way to receive service hours for the requirement, but now she felt that she was making a difference in these kids' lives. Tutoring these students gave her more confidence to do well in her classes at IHS.
- Wendy Lundeen, senior, taught preschoolers at her church in Palo Alto. She taught every Sunday morning. She enjoyed working with little kids, and the kids loved to be around her. A little baby named Jillian always looked up at her with open arms for Wendy to pick her up. Wendy felt very appreciated when all the younger children came to her for help.
- Freshman Lynn Luo worked at the Tri-City Children's Center. She worked every Friday after school for a couple of hours. Lynn, an only child, worked at the center because she always wanted a younger sibling.

These students made adult decisions as teenagers to benefit the community. They realized that the graduation requirement was not the greater issue, but that willingly lending a hand was more important.

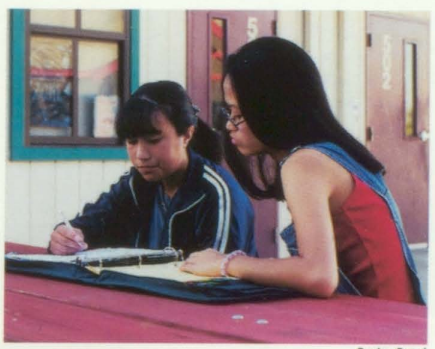
—*Jason Chan and Parita Patel*

Dedicated student volunteers strive beyond expectations



Parita Patel

Ryan Hughes and Noosha Kahali read a planning handout to find some useful ideas. Both of them are on the team that is in charge of the City of Fremont's Multicultural Festival.



Parita Patel



Parita Patel

Kathryn Bonham gets tutored by Jane Nobles at Forest Park Elementary School. Jane enjoys tutoring elementary students.

At the Tri-City Homeless Coalition, Thang Pham takes a message. Since his sophomore year, Thang has volunteered his Saturday mornings to work behind the desk, make lunches and answer the phones at this homeless shelter in Fremont.

Forgetting whether to get Apple Jacks or Fruit Loops, Pia Malinis calls her mom to double check. Cell phone technology let her call people from anywhere.



Kurt Del Rosario

Using AOL, Ryan LoBue communicates with his online buddies. Ryan liked AOL for its numerous chatrooms even though the connection was bad.



Stewart Merrell



Kurt Del Rosario

Computers from Toyota Racing Development automatically pump up the power of Jaeny Kim's '97 Toyota Celica. She and Mariejhun Aguas use a whole lot of technology just to get lunch.

Without his trusty TI-82 calculator, Eric Leung is completely lost in his AP Calculus class. It helped him perform sine, cosine and tangent functions.

Using his microwave, Vincent Fowler heats some potatoes for dinner. The microwave saved him hours of working over a hot stove making dinner for a family of 10.



Kurt Del Rosario



Stewart Merrell

Brian Marquez saved his website to disk so he could work on it at his house. It was infected by the virus that was in the SMART Lab. Then his antivirus erased files Windows needed. It took him around two weeks or so to fix Windows and return things back to normal!

fry's electronics, circuit city or BUST

These teens cannot live without technology, or can they?

It seemed that everywhere you went, you heard, saw and felt our society's technological advancements. Everywhere students went, the technology seemed to follow. But, of course, some Irvington students acknowledged that there were pieces of technology that they could not live without.

● Calls made from the store came often for junior Pia Malinis. "I always forget what to get," she said. Luckily, she always had her cell phone ready when an emergency came up.

● Junior Jenevie Gonzales made sure that she regularly checked her nifty pager for new messages. "I like it because it's easier than using smoke signals," she said. If her pager were gone, she would "Grab the blanket and start the fire."

● Most kitchens contained a techno toy precious to freshman Vincent Fowler: the microwave. Vincent used his microwave when he made dinner so he always would have a hot meal. Without it, Vincent said, "I would have to go back to a caveman-like state and re-invent fire!"

● To sophomore Brittany Herz, the most important piece of technology in her life definitely had to be her family's huge 36-inch RCA television. But unlike some television fanatics, Brittany would not let a television ruin her life. "I'll just go hiking," she said if her favorite technology was unavailable.

● Senior Brian Marquez was very protective of his computer even though a virus from the SMART Lab infected his Pentium II. Senior Ryan LoBue was fond of the Internet. Ryan said, "It is cool to be able to talk with all these people who like the same stuff you do."

● Handheld technology had become increasingly important in math classes. Senior Eric Leung would have had difficulty passing AP Calculus without his TI-82 calculator. "I use it for math I can't do in my head like cosine, sine or tangent," he said.

● Junior Jaeny Kim could not possibly cope with life if she were ever separated from her '97 Toyota Celica convertible. It was bustling with new technologies developed by TRD. "If I didn't have my car I'd have to take the school bus like a dork. I also can't go to work, pick up my brother, shop, or check out guys on the highway with my friends," she said.

Things never imagined 100 years ago have become commonplace. Could you survive without technology?

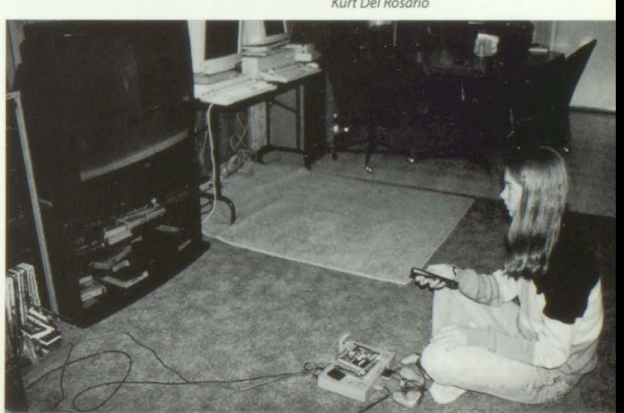
—Kurt Del Rosario and Stewart Merrell



Kurt Del Rosario

After feeling a buzz, Jenevie Gonzales checks her pager for the newest message. Her friends used pager code to keep in touch.

Watching cartoons on her 36" TV is better than doing homework for Brittany Herz. If she were not watching cartoons, she would be playing her Sony Playstation.



Kurt Del Rosario



Stewart Merrell

As Windows loads, Brian Marquez waits to check if he has finally fixed all the bugs from a virus. Brian would normally play a game of Aliens vs. Predator on his computer.

Time of our Lives

Showing off his smooth moves, sophomore Chris Bade break dances for fun at lunch in the gym. Practicing his craft daily, Chris has been breaking for nearly three years.

Dressed in island gear from head to toe, Ms. Ladonna Gundling and Mr. Jon Nagel "strike a pose" for the camera during Spirit Week. They dressed up in tropical attire for Sophomore Hawaiian Day to show that they were teachers with spirit.



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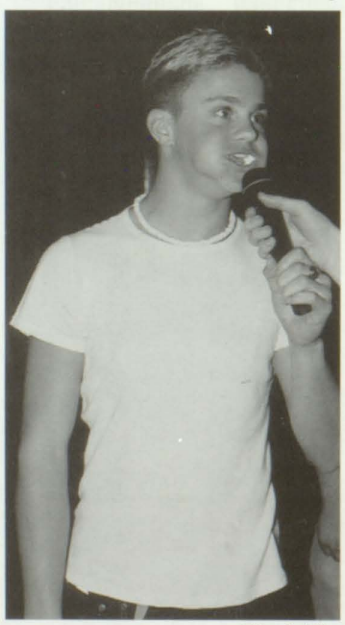
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Jessica Neunzig

Placing the leaky coffee can in the ice cold water, Danielle Genberg, freshman, is determined to help her class win the game. She was psyched to play in a lunchtime game because this was her first year of Spirit Week.

Mark Lau, sophomore, struggles to say the phrase "chubby bunny" with a mouthful of marshmallows at the Winter Rally. Marc won second place in the game.



Shilpa Andalkar

by **Christina Garcia**
Ann Lan

Whether deciding what invention changed the world or debating about the boundary conflict, a student's life just seemed to fly by. The rhythmic tick tock of the school clock seemed to go by too fast.

Sometimes the best therapy was to slow down and reminisce about the good ol' days: the 20th Century. Jeff Litwin, sophomore, said computers made the most impact of any invention in the century. Other students thought telephones, microwaves, and Mr. Potato Head changed the way we live.

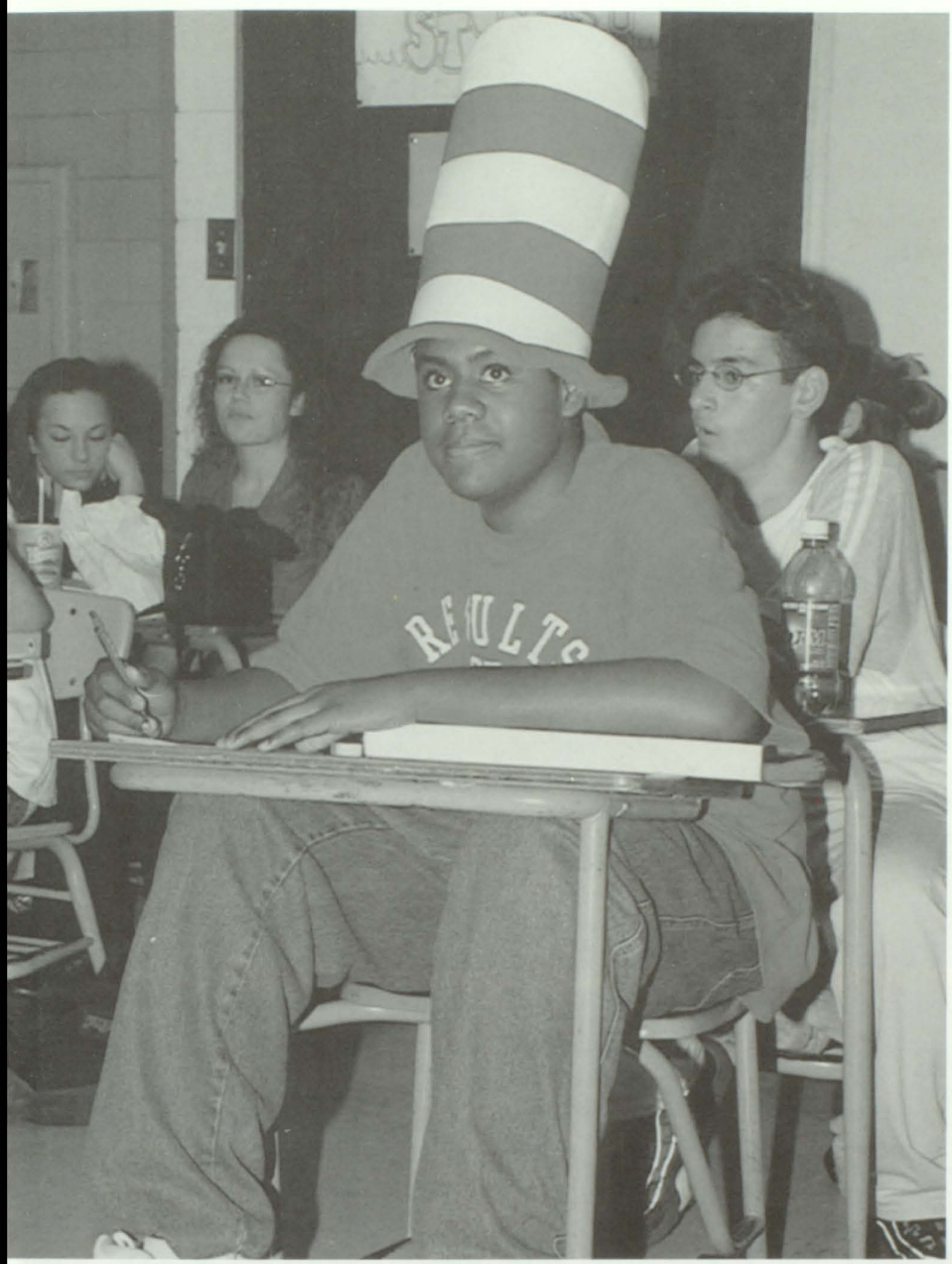
Clearly, it was life's assortment of people that made the passing of time more interesting. There were jocks, ravers, loners, breakers, and skaters. Ryan Thomas, junior, said, "I am a jock. I'm a 'keep it real' kind of person." Instead of being a part of any kind of stereotypical group, junior Anne Chung focused her life on schoolwork.

As part of growing up, teens learned lessons the hard way. Sophomore Erica Ramos said her big mouth put her at a disadvantage. She advised that saying too much could get anyone in trouble.

Throughout the first semester, the arguments over the attendance area boundary changes hit Irvington students and staff hard. Proposed changes would affect IHS significantly while Mission would be virtually untouched by the changes. With the closing of nearby Kennedy High School, sophomore Ariel Schwitalla said, "It won't allow interaction to occur between teachers and students because of overcrowding." Only time would tell if things would turn out for the better or not.

With age came wisdom, or so everyone hoped. Word to the wise: "Never accept 'no' for an answer from someone who does not have the power to say 'yes'," said Mr. Ben Dow, English teacher. Mr. Dave Marshall, Spanish teacher, said that the best advice he has ever received was "Study Spanish." Ms. Deborah Bowers-Ivey, social sciences teacher, said that always being prepared was the best advice ever given to her.

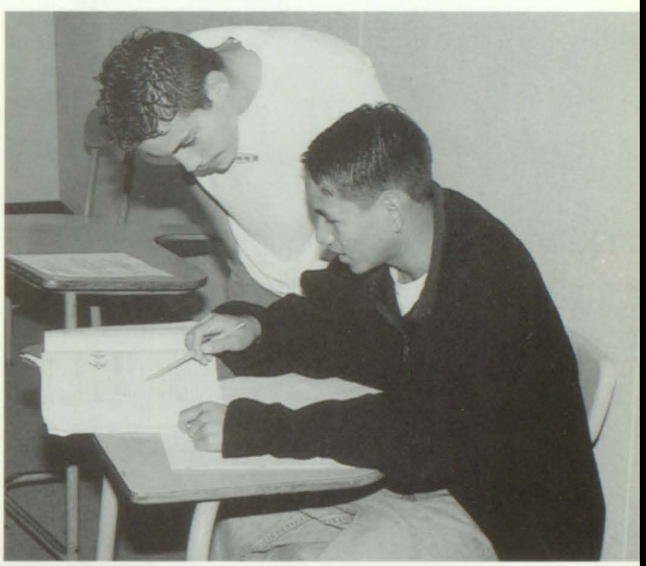
The relentless ticking of the clock made students wish they had more time on their hands. They often took for granted the moments that made up the times of their lives, but the changing year, decade, century and Millennium made them stop and reflect on the past, present and future.



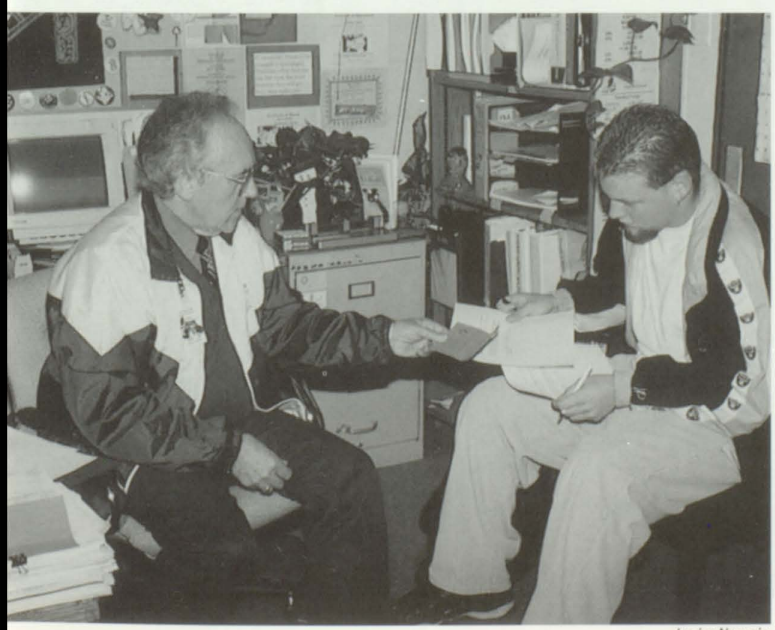
Jessica Neunzig

Appearing thoughtful with his Dr. Seuss thinking cap on, Mark Reynolds concentrates on his classwork. Mark said that the hat showed who he was: "goofy but tall and strong."

At the beginning of class, Uriel Gonzalez helps Chris Mendoza with his CPM geometry homework. Chris forgot to do his homework so he took advantage of a few free moments to catch up.



Aubrey St. Marie



Jessica Neunzig



Scott White

In his office, Mr. Bob Franco, counselor, discusses with Dan Klein, freshman, the pros and cons of transferring to another school in the district. Dan decided to stay at Irvington afterall.

Practicing for their Winter Concert at Centerville Junior High, Natalie Lee and Patricia Perez play their flutes. Natalie has been playing the flute for three and a half years. By the way, the Winter Concert had standing-room-only attendance.

With a bottle of Martinelli's Sparkling Cider in hand, Ryan Hughes drinks a toast to the new Millennium with Kirsten Pfenning. They were not about to spend the biggest party night ever sitting at home.

While not as dressed up as his friend, Ian Morris parties away the Millennium. Ian decided that spending New Year's Eve with just a few friends and family was better than going to an overblown extravaganza.



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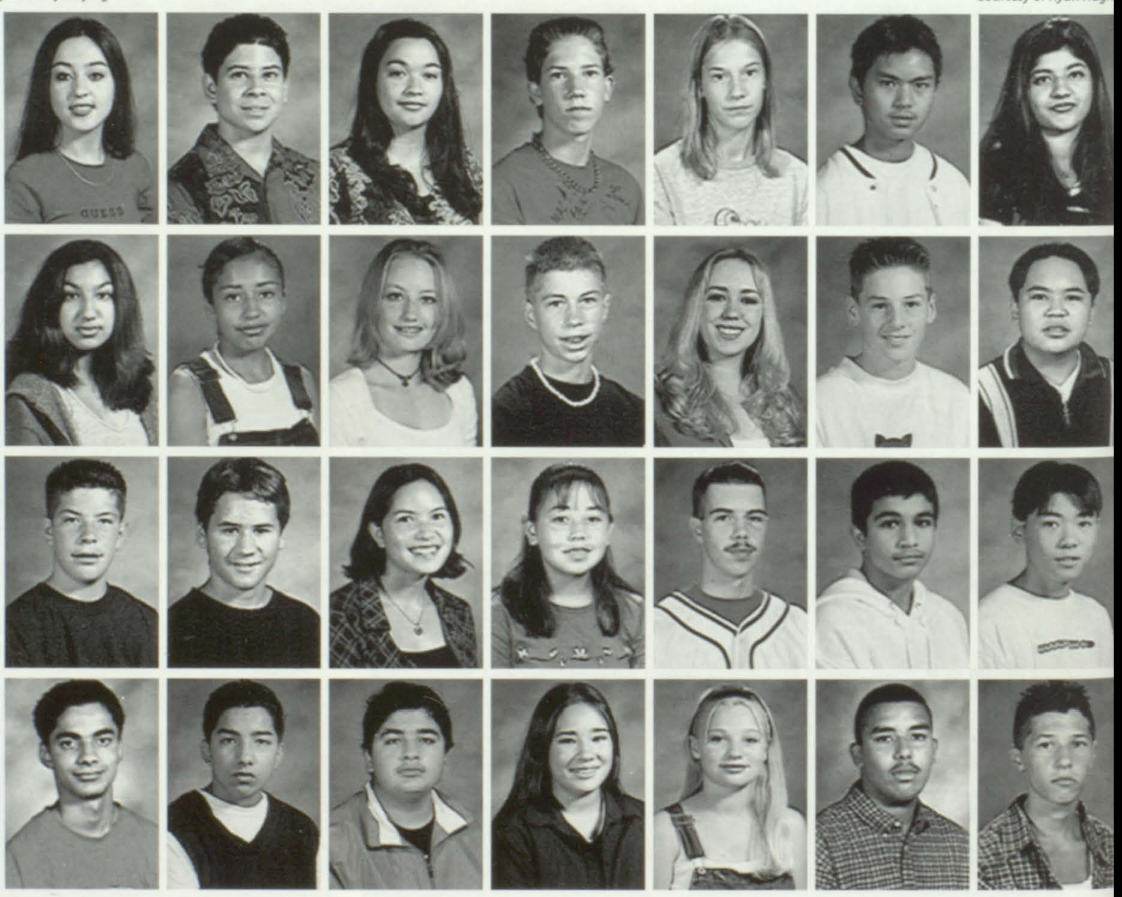
"After all, tomorrow is another day."
—Margaret Mitchell's Scarlett O'Hara in *Gone with the Wind*

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WHIP OUT THE POTS AND PANS

THESE STUDENTS TOOK THEIR LAST CHANCE TO PARTY LIKE IT WAS 1999

BY PATRICK MORRIS

Despite disputes over whether the Millennium truly ended, everyone agreed that it was the end of one of the most dynamic centuries in history. The big question on everyone's minds was "How did you spend your New Year's Eve?"

After a year of paranoid fears fueled by apocalyptic Nike commercials, the Y2K bug turned out to be nothing more than a momentary lapse of cable programming. However, some people weren't taking any chances. Fearing the worst, sophomore Emory Lee spent New Year's Eve safely at home with 20 gallons of bottled water.

Some people stayed home simply because they felt like it. Couch potatoes were for the first time given the opportunity to see New Year's celebrations from every single time zone from the comfort of their living rooms. While there were no Y2K problems, the world ventured into the future with a flurry of lights and sound. Highlights included: Australia's fireworks above the Sydney Opera House, Paris' Eiffel Tower, London's fireworks on the Thames, and the exhibition at the Washington Monument.

In contrast to the high profile Millennium celebrations held around the world, some people like sophomore Ashley Denton and freshman Mary Clark decided to spend a quiet New Year's Eve with friends and family. Junior Ryan Hughes also spent what he was hoping would be a last quiet night with friends. "I was disappointed nothing happened at midnight. I wanted everything to explode."

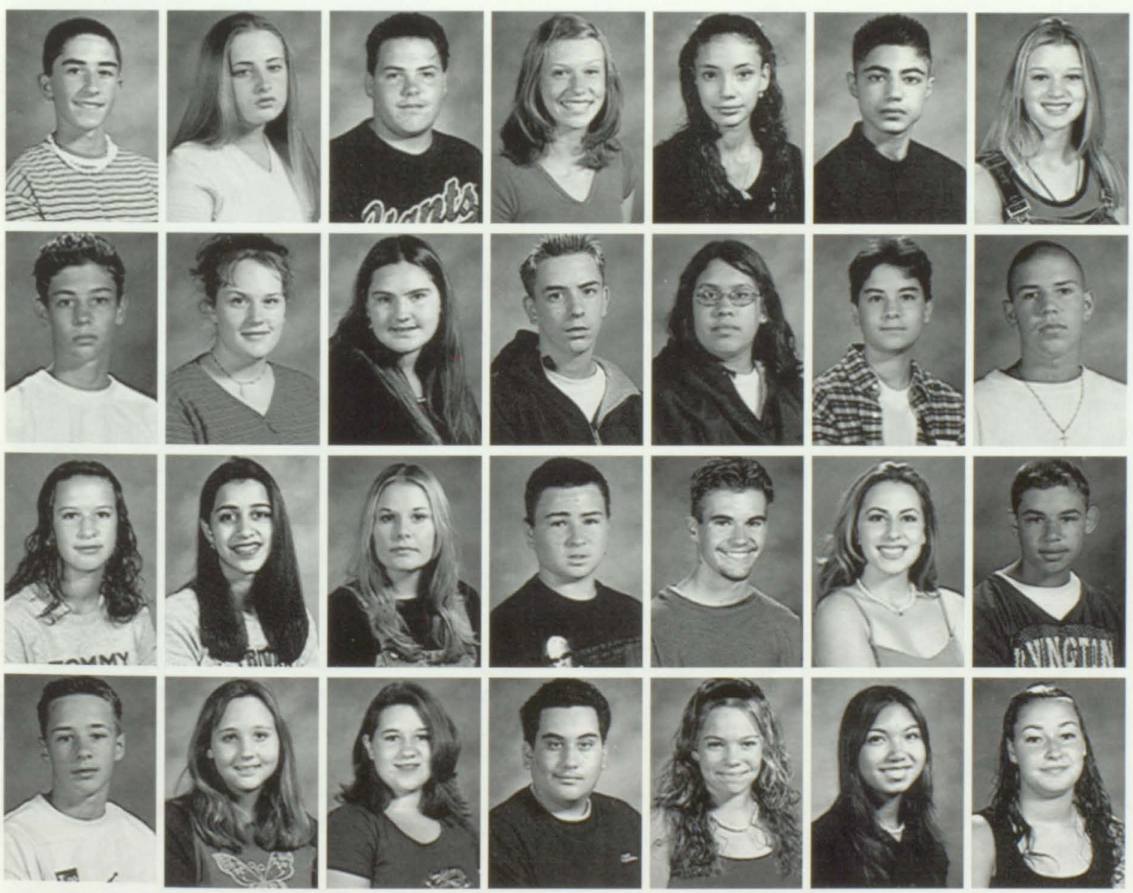
Speaking of explosions, a few students decided to end the Millennium with a bang. Sophomore Michael Smith spent New Year's Eve on San Francisco's Embarcadero to view the fireworks display up close. Fellow sophomore Laura Clay spent New Year's Eve at a lavish party put on by her parents. "My parents spent $5000 on a party!"

Some people ended the century with a bang, others with a whimper. While some were dusting off the decoration boxes, others were busy sweeping out the backyard bomb shelter. Either way it was night to remember.

LAUGHING IN CLASS, Noosha Kahali reflects on her New Year's Eve. Due to a lack of any worthwhile parties, Noosha decided to spend the evening with her family watching MTV'S Millennium entertainment.



Courtesy of Jessica Salazar



Aaron Barlas *9*
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"Eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow we die."
—from *Tripping Billies* by Dave Matthews Band

Recalling the Six Flags trip in her diary, Emory Lee sits content with the puka necklace adorned around her neck. The all day excursion was to commemorate a friend's birthday, the same friend who bought the necklace for Emory.

Ruth Mejia keeps a careful watch for loose money on the ground. When she found $100, Ruth hustled to the mall where she splurged on clothing and shoes.



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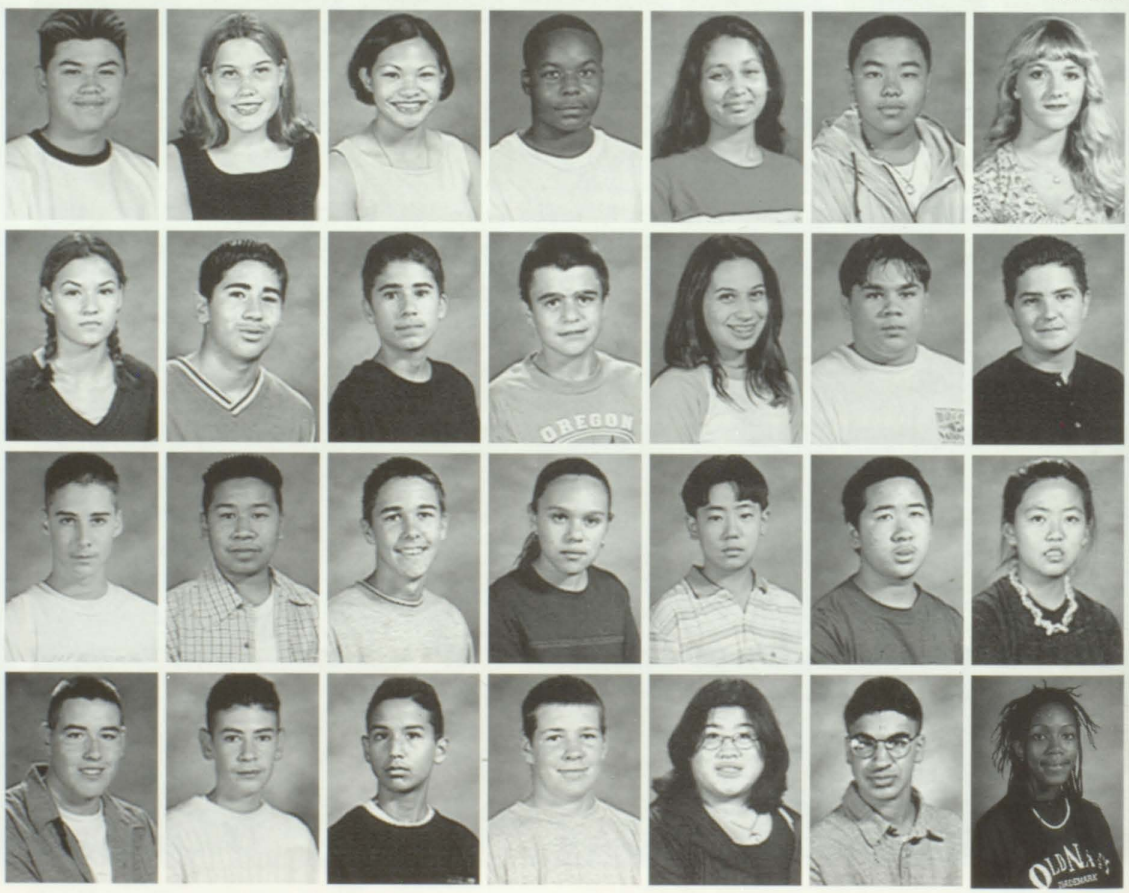
"Good luck needs no explanation."
—Shirley Temple Black, actress, U. S. diplomat

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SO, FEELIN' LUCKY... PUNK?

WHEN LESS THAN FAVORABLE SITUATIONS PRESENT THEMSELVES, DO LUCKY IRVINGTON STUDENTS NEED A CONTINGENCY PLAN?

BY JASON CHAN

Unfortunate events were expected in the normal course of life. Irvington students found that serendipity, or a positive accidental occurrence or event, allowed them to carry on.

Worried and stressed out, Gerstein Padua found himself not prepared for a test. "I went over my notes, but I couldn't keep all the information in my head," said the sophomore. Fortunately, on the test day the teacher surprised him and the class by announcing that it was an open note exam.

Freshman Ruth Mejia was nearly broke with only two dollars in her pocket. Lack of monetary funds kept her from purchasing the things she wanted. As she walked in front of Irvington, she spotted a small green paper on the ground. Upon closer examination, Ruth discovered the paper was a wadded up 100 dollar bill. Do not approach Ruth and ask her for money because she quickly spent the Benjamin on frivolous objects. "Extra cash in my pocket made my day," said Ruth.

Providing music for a party was a daunting task for sophomore Vicky Lao. "When the DJ got to the party, he wanted more money for the gas his car used," said Vicky. She found that her available cash came up short for the unexpected expense. Luckily, a friend remembered to give a belated birthday present of money to Vicky to cover the cost of the DJ.

Junior Josh Young discovered he was stranded in his own home without a car to drive. He sulked around with nothing to occupy his time until a good friend decided to stop by and drive off to a gym. "I wanted to go to the gym and my friend stopped by with the same idea," said Josh.

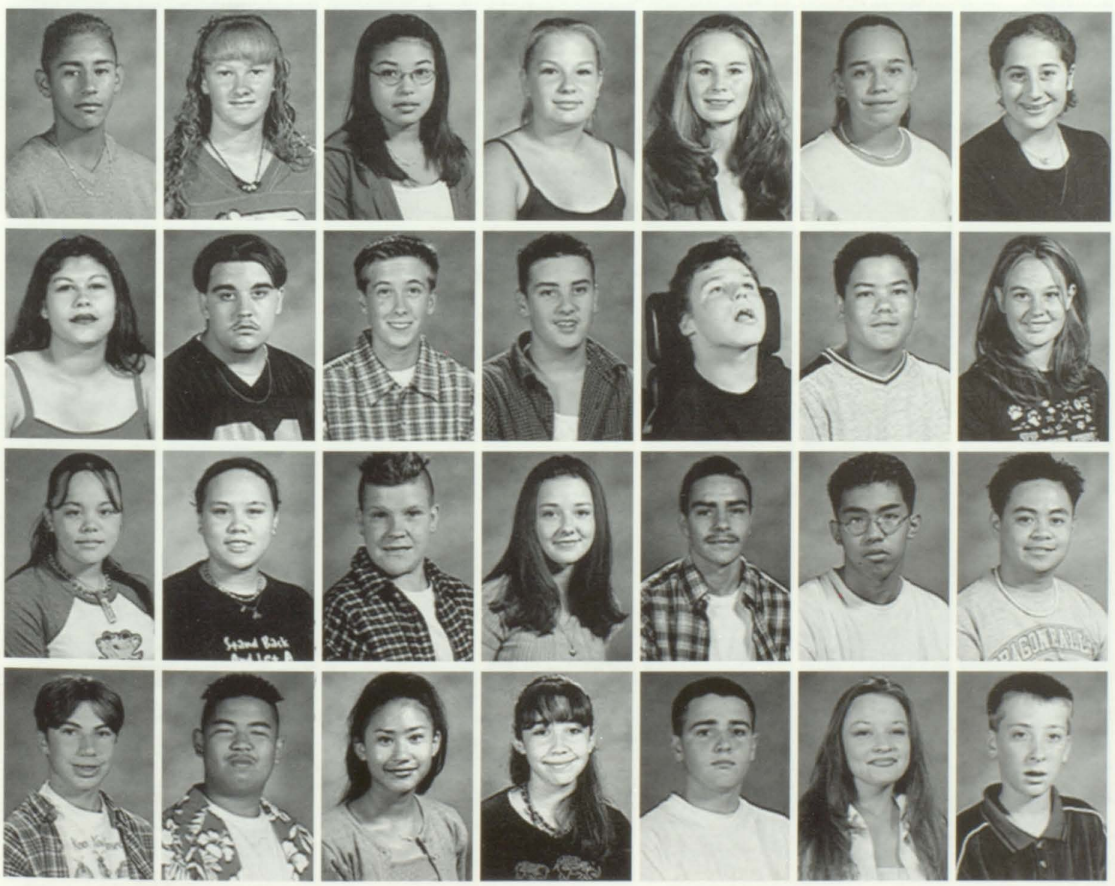
After scouring the Six Flags Park gift shops for a puka necklace, sophomore Emory Lee found her efforts fruitless. Without realizing Emory's predicament, an accompanying friend on the trip purchased a puka necklace for her. "I looked everywhere for the necklace, but my friend found the last one for me," said Emory.

These students happened to be in the right place at the right time, but relying on serendipity might be too risky in the long run.

VICKY LAO AND YURIKA VU examine their wallets to assure themselves that there is enough money to cover any future unexpected expenses. They have learned from past experiences that no funds result in no fun.



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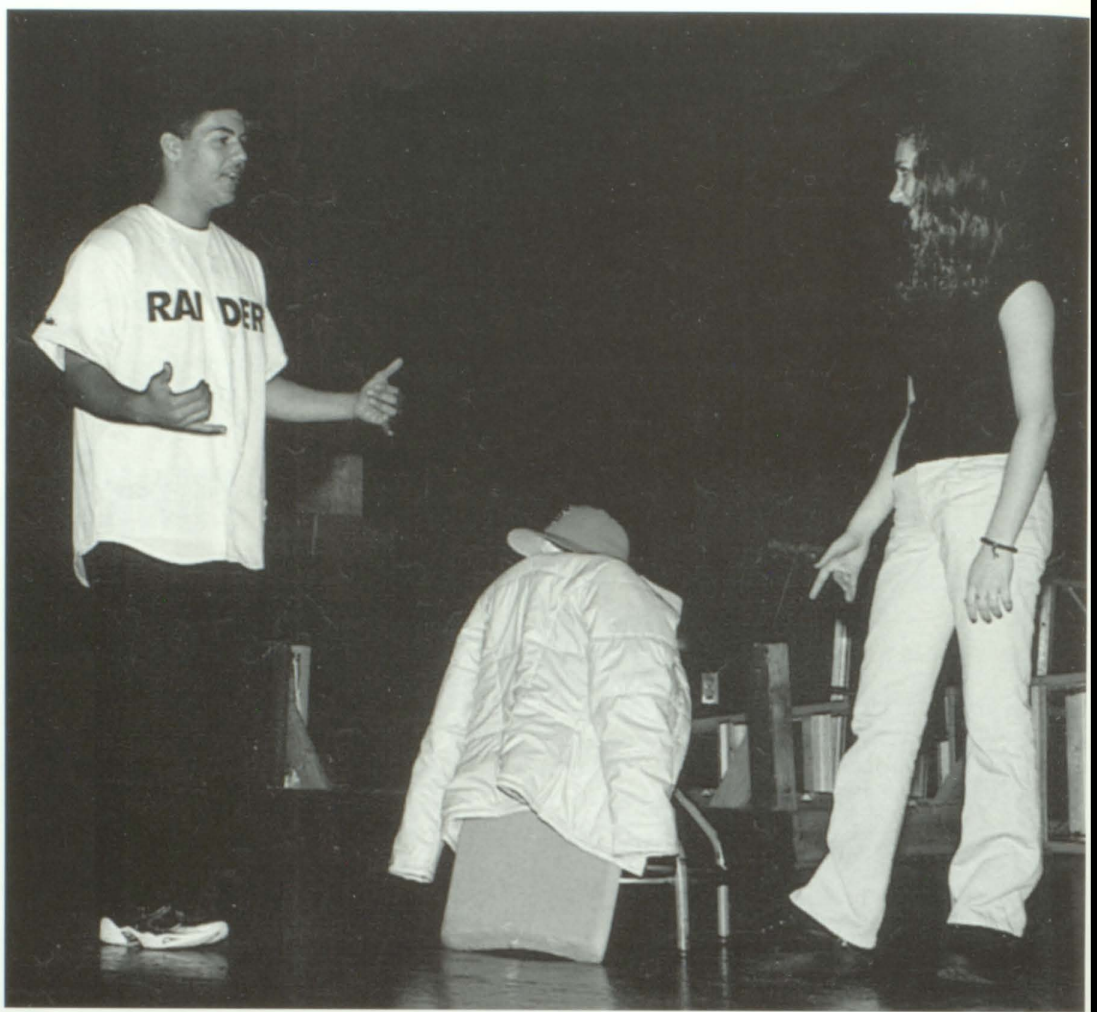
"It's hard to detect good luck—it looks so much like something you've earned."
—Frank A. Clark, author

Germain Vargas and Aimee Barry perform a skit in Mr. Jon Nagel's Drama 1 class. Drama was left in a bad situation with the modernization, but they took advantage of a break in construction to get back into Valhalla in January.

In Ms. Deborah Bowers-Ivey's World History class, Stefanie Hockett flips through her textbook. Out in the portables, she was not able to go to her locker as often as she liked, which meant more books to carry.



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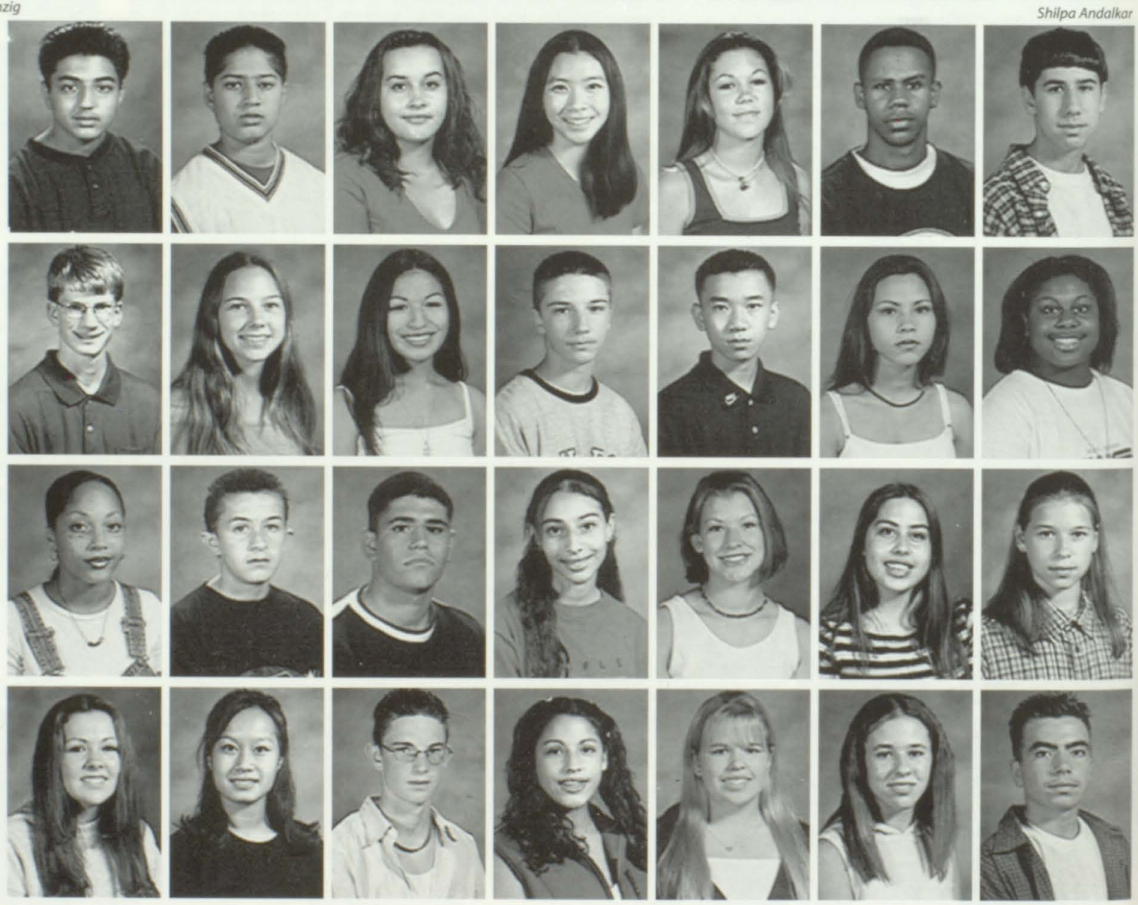
"Nothing's gonna change my world..."
—The Beatles' *Across the Universe*

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CHANGING BEFORE OUR VERY EYES

IRVINGTON ENTERS THE MILLENNIUM IN A STATE OF CHAOS WITH FOUR PHASES OF SCHEDULED MODERNIZATION

BY SHILPA ANDALKAR

It was a tale of two cities. Within two months of the start of school, it seemed that this was the story of Irvington—divided between its true campus and its new suburb: two rows of portables aptly named Modular City. This sudden modernization, along with the renovation of Room 104 into a multi-media lecture hall, came as a surprise to many students, sparking very different views on the subject of the school construction.

Those students and teachers who had to deal with the move from the 200 Wing to the portables knew the real complications of the construction. Sophomore Stephanie Hockett said she did not like the portables "because of the fact that they're in the way. Whenever we run in P. E., we run around the portables. One time our P. E. teachers told us to run through the portables and the teachers came out of their classrooms and started yelling." Junior Rahwa Geb said, "We have to deal with the smell [from the porta-a-potties] and teachers giving us detentions for being late. Some people have had to drop out of classes because of the smell because they have asthma."

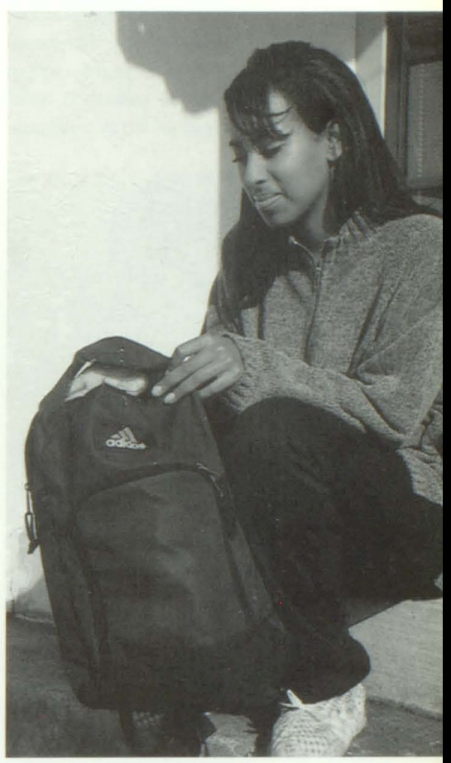
Germain Vargas, junior, had other dilemmas. "They need to get someone to fix the air conditioners. In my room, T-19, the air conditioner is on all day. It's cold as hell!" In addition to trying to stay warm, Germain was also trying to learn the techniques of drama, a difficult task without the resources of Valhalla. "Drama's so loud we had to switch rooms because other teachers were annoyed," said Germain.

The lucky students who did not have to worry about the first round of moving were indifferent toward the topic of modernization. Sophomore Chad Freeman said, "It hasn't changed what I do. It seems like a good idea." Junior Viridiana Loza didn't really mind the construction either. "I don't care because they're going to modernize everything, so hopefully it [the school] will be better."

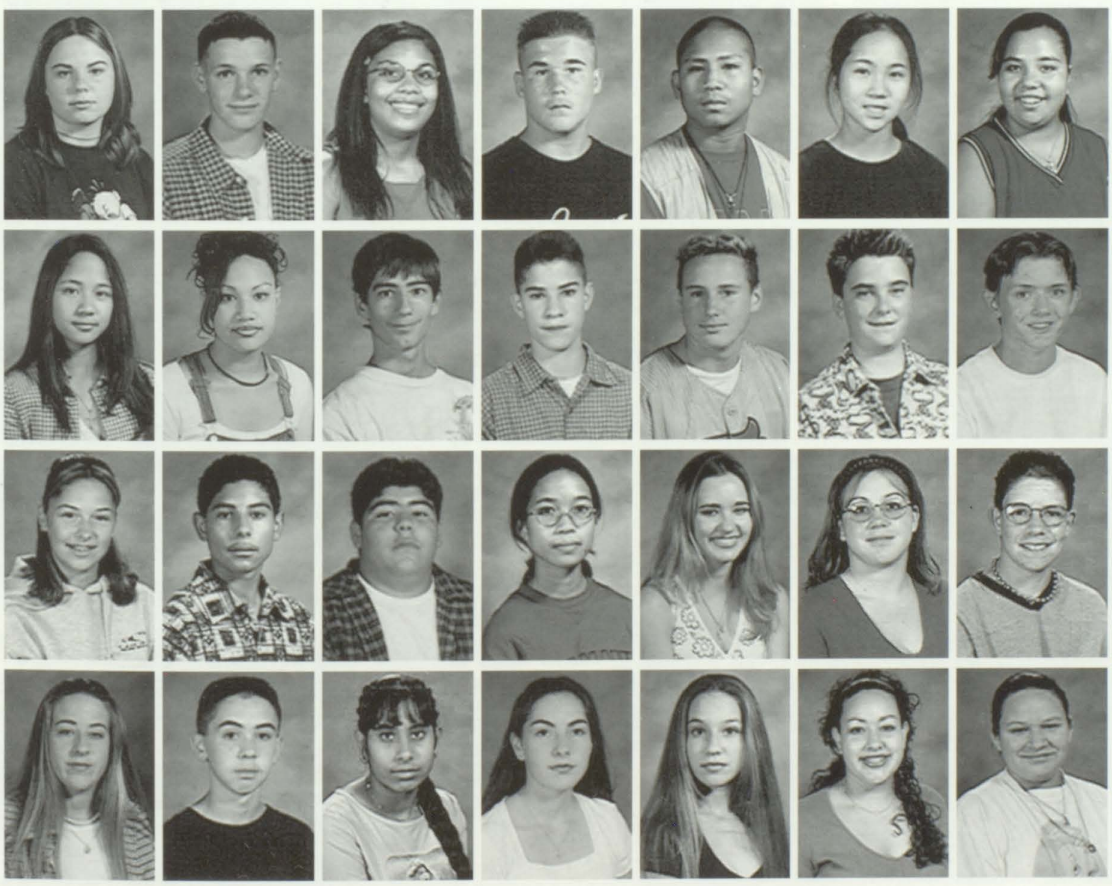
Regardless of dislikes or nonchalance toward the construction, the common opinion was that it was a good idea. Freshman Katie Dudgeon said if they had asked her, she "would have probably said 'yes,' but I'm sure it could have been organized a little better."

The new millennium, century, decade, and year brought along with them the need for Irvington to also move toward the future. The modernization, although wreaking a Y2K-like havoc on Irvington students and staff, was in the end, all for the good of the school.

EXAMINING THE DAMAGE ON her backpack, Rahwa Gebretnsaie realizes it's time for a new one. By walking back and forth to the portables, she's had to buy two new backpacks this year alone.



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"A change would do you good..."
—Sheryl Crow's *A Change Would Do You Good*

A TALE OF TWO CULTURES

STUDENTS AT IRVINGTON AWAKEN TO DIVERSITY AND STRUGGLE WITH AMERICAN TEEN VALUES VS. NON-AMERICAN CULTURES

BY JESSICA BONHAM

As we entered a new era, Irvington students noticed that the times had definitely changed. Diversity was becoming a more familiar sight and Irvington welcomed variety. Students had different lifestyles and customs concerning clothing, habits, food, and celebrations that were heavily influenced by their culture.

Sophomore Yasmine Ziadeh found that life was a lot noisier at school than at home. She came from a strict and traditionally Muslim family. Her parents wanted her to follow the customs of their native country. Growing up American, however, presented some obstacles for Yasmine. She fasted during Ramadan without any complaints. Wearing the traditional chador, or shawl, was another custom that she didn't abandon at school.

Going home for sophomore Alex Taguchi was a tumultuous clash between two worlds. His mother was American/Scottish and his father was Japanese. He found it hard to get people to understand that he had a multicultural background. "Everyone always thinks I'm just white!" Alex said. Along with Christmas, he also collected gifts on Boy's Day which is a celebration for Japanese children.

Junior Sapna Jandaur had a different problem. As an Indian-American, she felt as if she were expected to hang with the crowd that was "stereotypical" of her race. She wanted to avoid the cultural segregation that existed at high school. "I'd prefer to be around people who weren't exactly just like me. It's more interesting," Sapna said.

Junior Shrey Shah also had all the characteristics of an average American kid. The only difference between him and any other student was his Indian heritage. For some of his friends, an ideal dinner would probably be roast beef and mashed potatoes. His family opted for vegetarian courses with rice and various vegetables cooked in spices. Sometimes on occasion he would fast just to uphold his culture. "Everyone should be proud of their individuality. No one wants to be the same anyways," Shrey said.

Despite any issues dealing with the culture clash at Irvington, students continued to respect their heritages and lead well-rounded lives.



Diane Stendahl

RETURNING HOME FROM THE supermarket, Alex Taguchi carries in a special brand of Japanese rice. He occasionally enjoyed eating Japanese cuisine in order to hold on to his traditions.

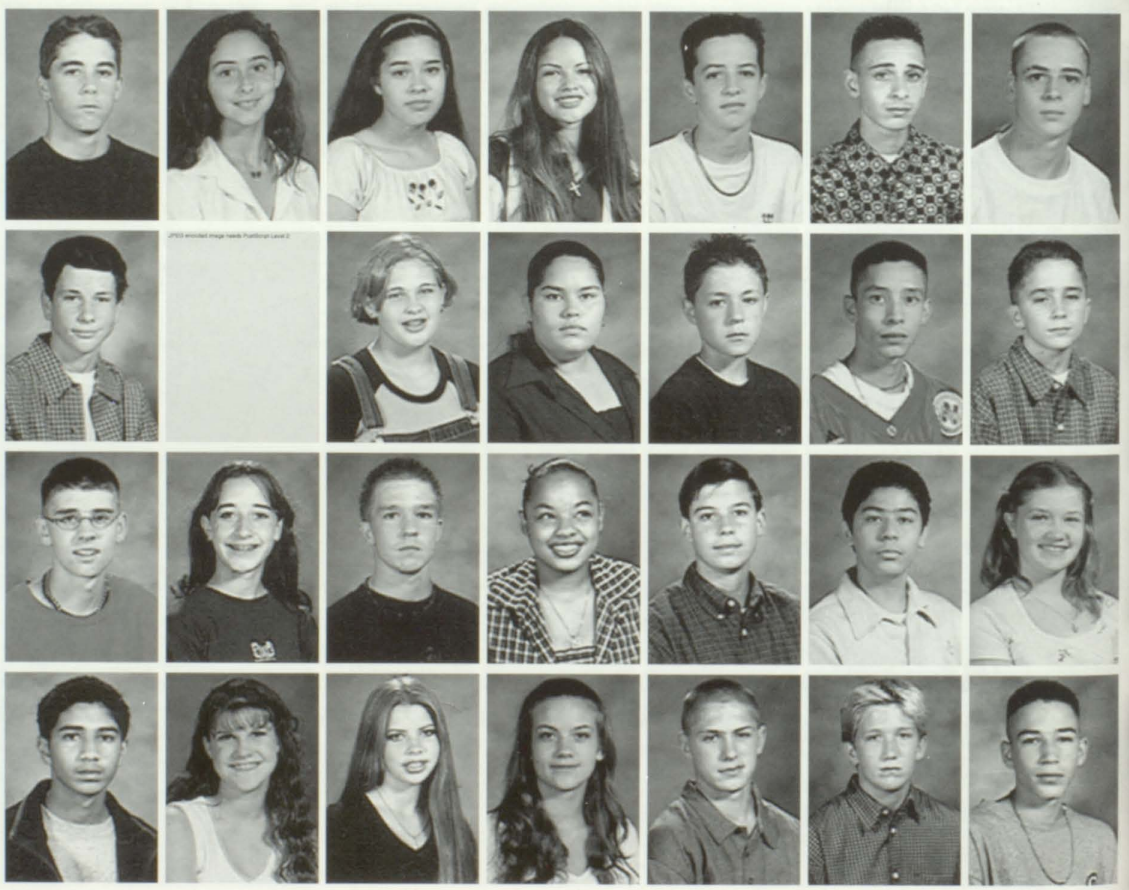
"Culture is the widening of the mind and of the spirit."
—Jawaharlal Nehru, prime minister of India

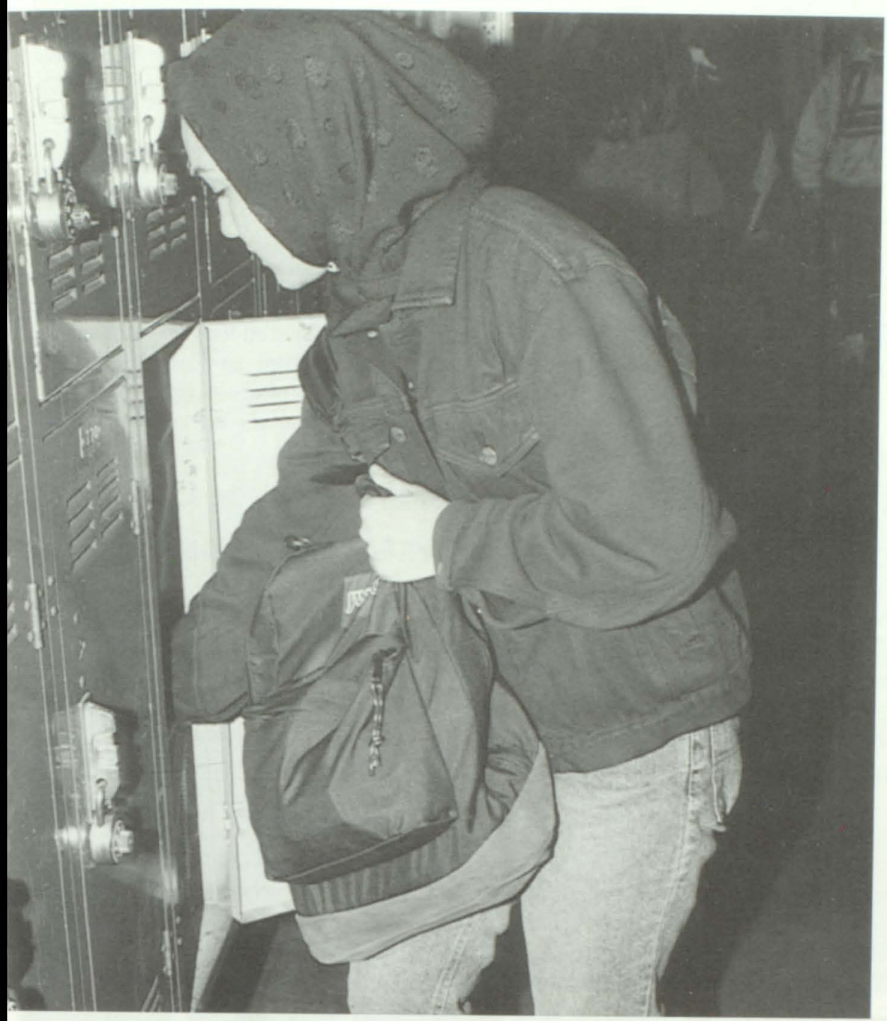
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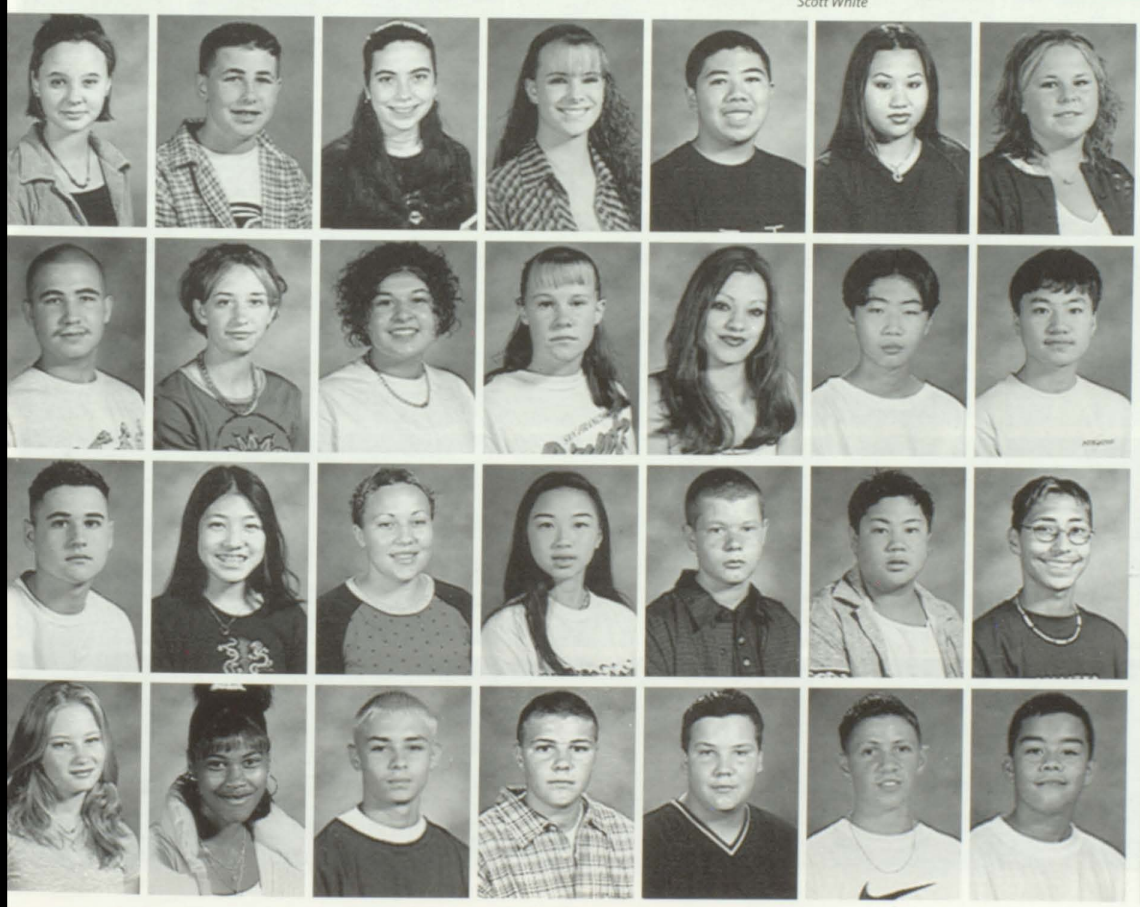
Scott White

PACKING UP AFTER SCHOOL, Yasmine Ziahdeh prepares to go home to take part in an evening prayer. Even at school she remained a devout Muslim.

DURING LUNCH, SAPNA Jandaur eats her favorite American treat: cheeseburger and fries. She chose to expose herself to different types of people regardless of their race and religion.



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"Bite the wax tadpole."
—"Coca-Cola" as originally translated into Chinese

SHHH! DON'T TELL, IT'S A SECRET

STUDENTS LOVE TO OVERHEAR WEIRD AND UNUSUAL CONVERSATIONS IN THE SENIOR AND FRESHMAN HALLWAYS

BY PARITA PATEL

She said that he said that so and so was going out with so and so and I was like oh, my gosh! Weird and unusual conversations were overheard in the hallways and caught the attention of most students.

Sophomore Anna Propas heard someone say in the hallway, "Do you like bread? I like bread." She brought this up when she was talking to her friends, and they couldn't believe she was serious, but she swore that was what she heard.

Have you ever heard of guys talking about clothes? Well, junior Brian Evans heard one guy telling another guy what he was going to wear to school the next day. Have guys started to stress over outfits like girls did?

Some conversations made the eavesdropper's jaw drop. Junior Ashley Chance heard a girl tell a couple of guys that she wasn't wearing any underwear. Nada, zippo. Not wearing any underwear was probably a bit breezy for her.

In Jenny Lee's tenth grade P.E. class, someone out of nowhere said that he was wearing spotted socks. Jenny immediately looked at another student who also overheard him and Jenny said, "Umm, okay."

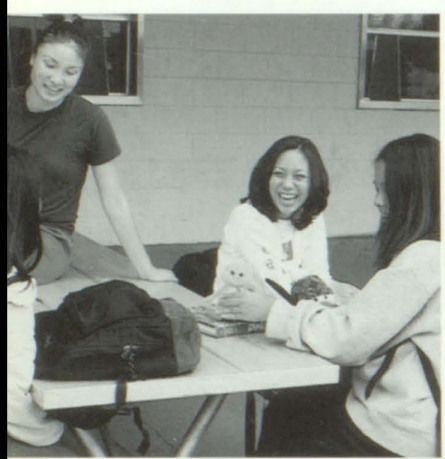
Now, here's an overheard conversation for Dr. Laura. "I overheard a guy telling his girlfriend's best friend that he cheated on his girl and was asking for advice," said junior Purvi Patel. In whose right mind would someone tell their girlfriend's or boyfriend's best friend that he/she had cheated?

Some conversations never seemed change from day to day. Sophomore Jamie Rodriguez said that every time he heard this one student, he's always blaming everything on radiation. Radiation made the roof leak or the parking lot flood?

Did you ever decide to do something very daring on New Year's? Well, freshman Joanne Kabariti heard about someone who did. She overheard that a female student streaked on New Year's, right at the stroke of midnight. The conversation she heard described the event in precise detail.

It might not be polite to listen to other people's conversations, but it sure was fun for the eavesdroppers.

RIGHT BEFORE SCHOOL starts, Jenny Lee tells Katrina Gonzalez, Becki Simones, and Katherine Tadina that in P. E. she heard a boy say he was wearing spotted socks. All of her friends thought she was weird. Ironically, they often discussed random things they had heard.



Aubrey St. Marie

"When people talk, listen completely. Most people never listen."
—Ernest Hemingway, novelist

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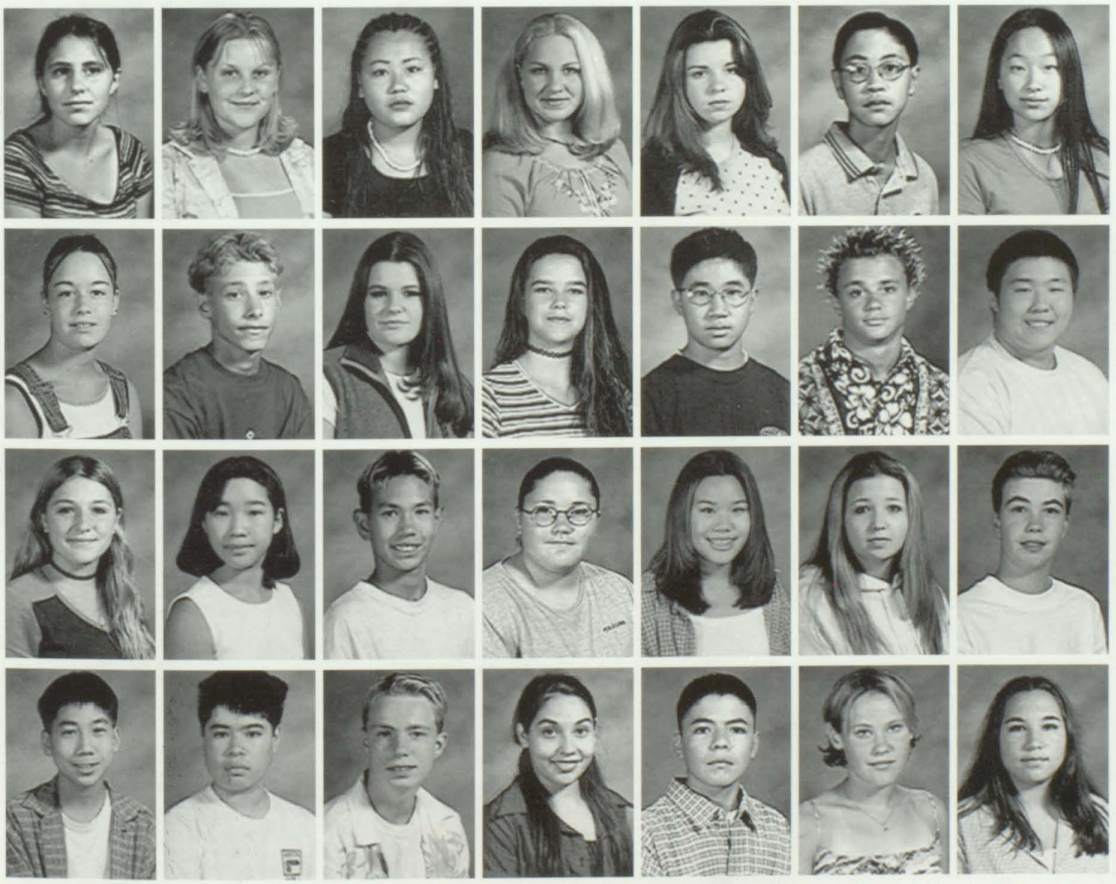
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At lunch, Leanne Maxwell and Jessica Moreland talk about a lot of things including what goes on in their lives. Sometimes they chat about things they've overheard. Leanne one day heard a guy say he was totally hot, when in Leanne's opinion, he was not.

Melissa Molleson and Suzie Liu say they always eavesdrop, but find it hard to recall random conversations. Suzie said she heard a girl say her mom set her up on a date.



Aubrey St. Marie



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"Listen, do you want to know a secret? Do you promise not to tell? Whoa...."
—*Beatles Do You Want To Know a Secret*

PETTING SNIFFY THE PUPPY, Lindsey Lukas feeds her golden lab cheese to calm him down. "We're exactly the same," said Lindsey. "We always want to be part of the action."

THE OWNER OF TWO YORKSHIRE terriers, Sarah Bae works on her history homework. When she wants to play with her two dogs, she will play their favorite game. "They like catching stuffed animals," said Sarah.



Jessica Neunzig



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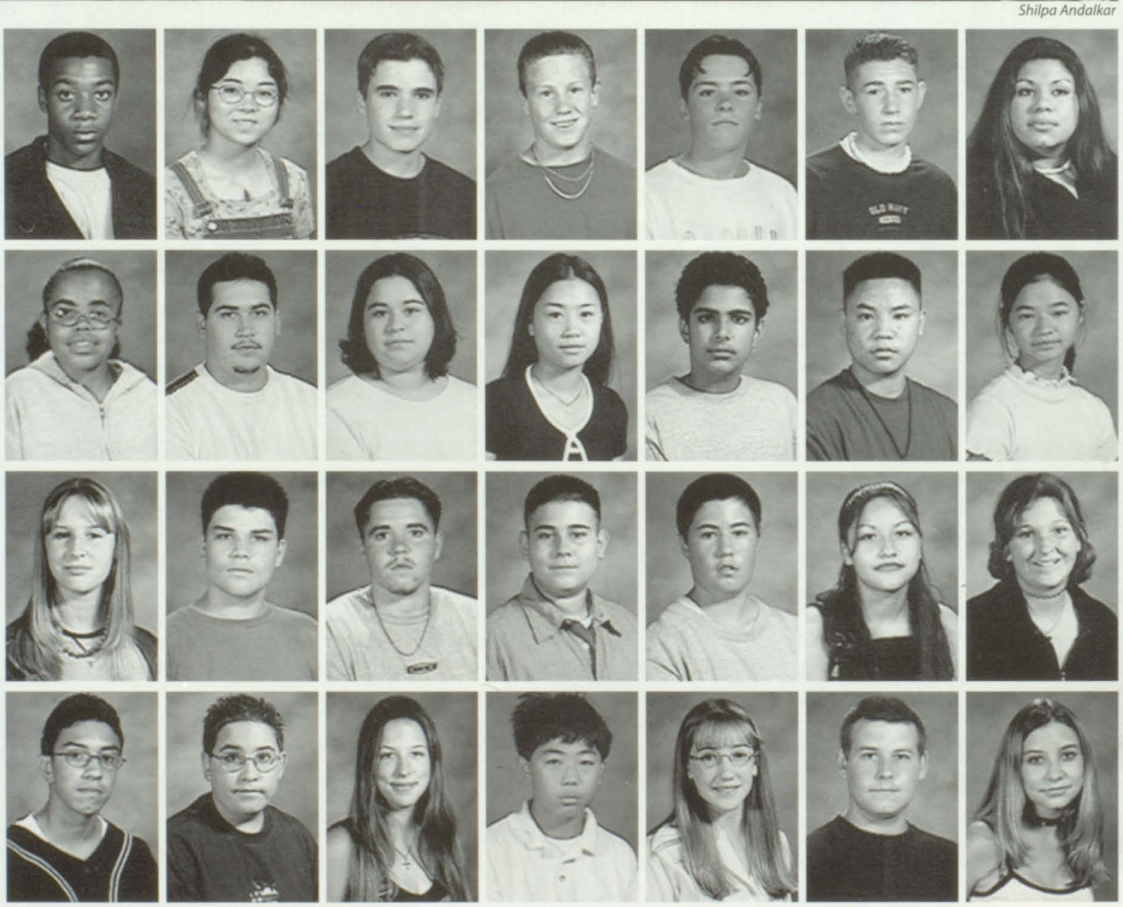
"Cats seem to go on the principle that it never does any harm to ask for what you want."
—Joseph Wood Krutch, U.S. naturalist

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THE MINI FURRY BEST FRIENDS

STUDENTS HEAD TO THEIR DOG HOUSES AND BRING THEIR FURRY BEST FRIENDS INTO THE LIGHT

BY MATHEW GILBUENA

What's dependable, always there for you and makes you feel better about yourself? No, the answer would not simply be "friends," but furry friends! Many students on campus shared some of their lives' best moments with their pets, their one true friend who would always be there for them.

Tony Moss, freshman, was an owner of an English Lop bunny. His rabbit was one of his best friends because "He'll listen to me when I need someone to talk to."

Friends often had similar traits that bound them together. Erik Johnson, freshman, said, "My dog and I don't like staying alone."

Angelina Aguilar, sophomore, owned a basset hound named Las Vegas. She said, "We're both hyperactive. We are always happy."

The closeness that resulted from a friendship also taught some students various distinctive traits that their friend possessed. Jennifer Schaak, sophomore, when describing her cat Candy's annoying habits, said, "She's very picky in the morning if she doesn't get fed first thing. If she doesn't get fed, she chases our family around the house meowing until she does."

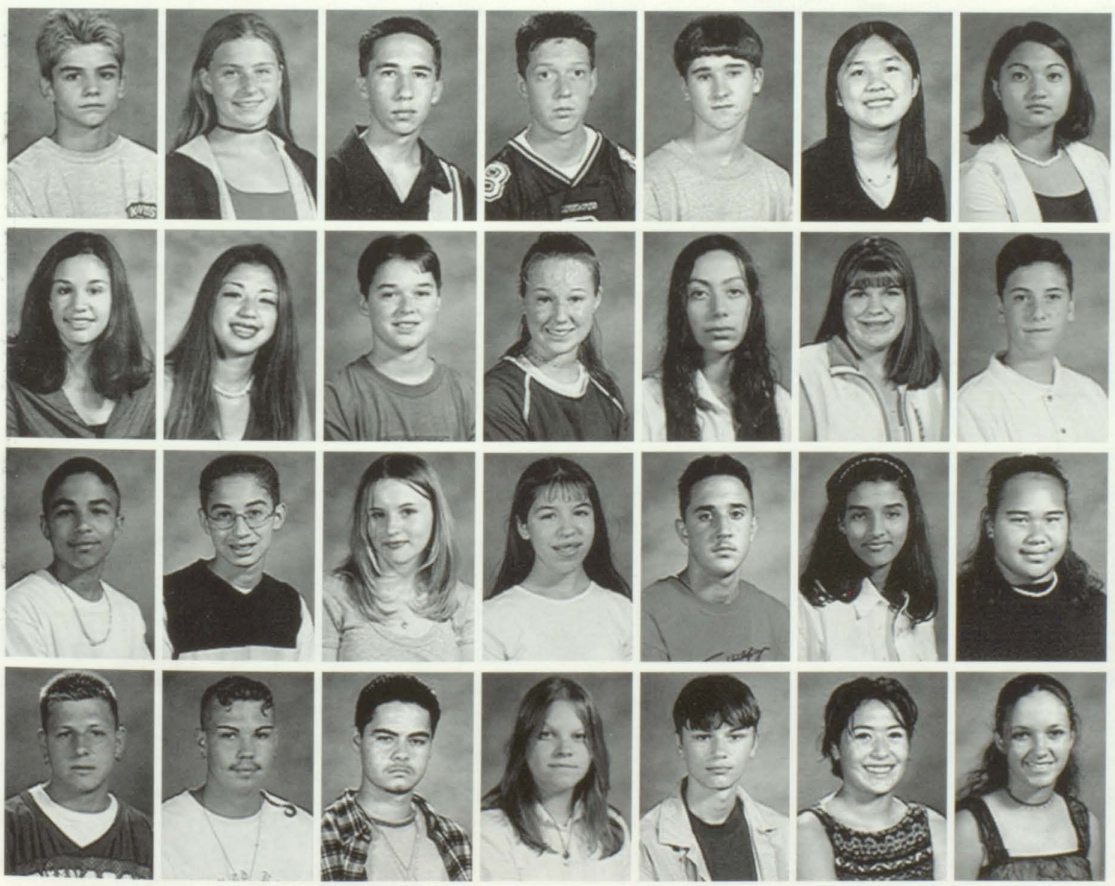
Friends were best for when students were feeling down. Many students found that the company of their pets helped them cheer up and forget about their sorrows. Anh Nguyen, junior, had a dog named Nikki. Anh explained how Nikki helped her feel better: "She makes me laugh when I am sad. She does it just by running around and doing stupid things like jumping in the air." Lindsey Lukas, sophomore, turned to her new puppy Sniffy when she wanted to get rid of the blues. "When I'm sad, he'll come to me and lay his head on my lap and make me feel better. He'll even come into my room and sit there for me, and I know that he cares for my feelings. He's the friend I've always been waiting for," said Lindsey.

These students have formed bonds with their pet friends and created a special relationship that made them happier. Next time you feel down or need someone to talk to, follow the example set by these students and try to give your pet a chance to shine.

TO RELAX AFTER SCHOOL, Jennifer Schaak pets her cat Candy. Pets often take after their owners and share similiar traits. "We're both lazy," said Jennifer. Candy's favorite toy is Jennifer's Barbie doll.



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"I like pigs. Dogs look up to us. Cats look down on us. Pigs treat us as equals."
—Winston Churchill, prime minister of England

SOPHOMORE CLAY PALMBERG HAS a fear of being enclosed in small spaces. He felt uncomfortable using the tight facilities at school.

THE MEDIA HYPE OF THE Y2K BUG is a definite fear for junior Diana Huynh. She was relieved to find that nothing was seriously affected by the Millennium Bug.



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Jessica Neunz

"The only thing we have to fear is fear itself."
—Franklin D. Roosevelt, first Inaugural Address, 1933

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ALL GOOSEBUMPS AND CHILLS

WHO'S AFRAID OF THE BIG BAD WOLF, THE BIG BAD WOLF, THE BIG BAD WOLF? STUDENTS SHARE THEIR PHOBIAS

BY AMY THOMAS

Spiders, heights, the dark, oh, my! Phobias could affect the way teens interacted with each other. Some students looked at their phobias as a challenge to try and overcome. When students looked back, they saw how much childhood fears affected their daily lives, and how they lived with their fears.

Being afraid of spiders was a common phobia among students. Junior Aimee Barry said, "I have a huge phobia of spiders. It just gives me the creeps to think about it. I can't stand them, and ever since I heard that the average person swallows eight spiders a year while they are sleeping, from now on, I sleep with my mouth closed. Yuck!"

The fear of tight spaces was another phobia. Sophomore Clay Palmberg said, "I have a phobia of being enclosed in a small space for a long time. I have had this fear ever since I was eight years old, and I still carry it with me till this day."

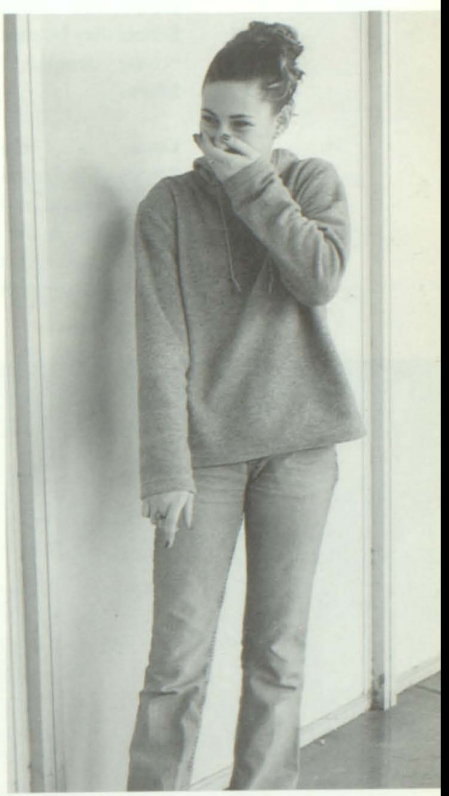
Some students didn't like being alone because of a fear that something terrible might happen. Freshman Joanne Kabariti said, "I don't like it when my parents leave me alone at night because I'm afraid of what might happen to me." Students' imaginations often took over their judgment.

Was the Y2K bug hitting us a little early this year? Y2K had a major effect on students and some even feared that the world would no longer exist. Diana Huynh, junior, said, "I thought that Y2K was really perceived as if the year was going to end. I had a fear of how the world will get back on their feet since technology has come so far. I thought that since it was going to be the year 2000, people would lose all their knowledge inside technology."

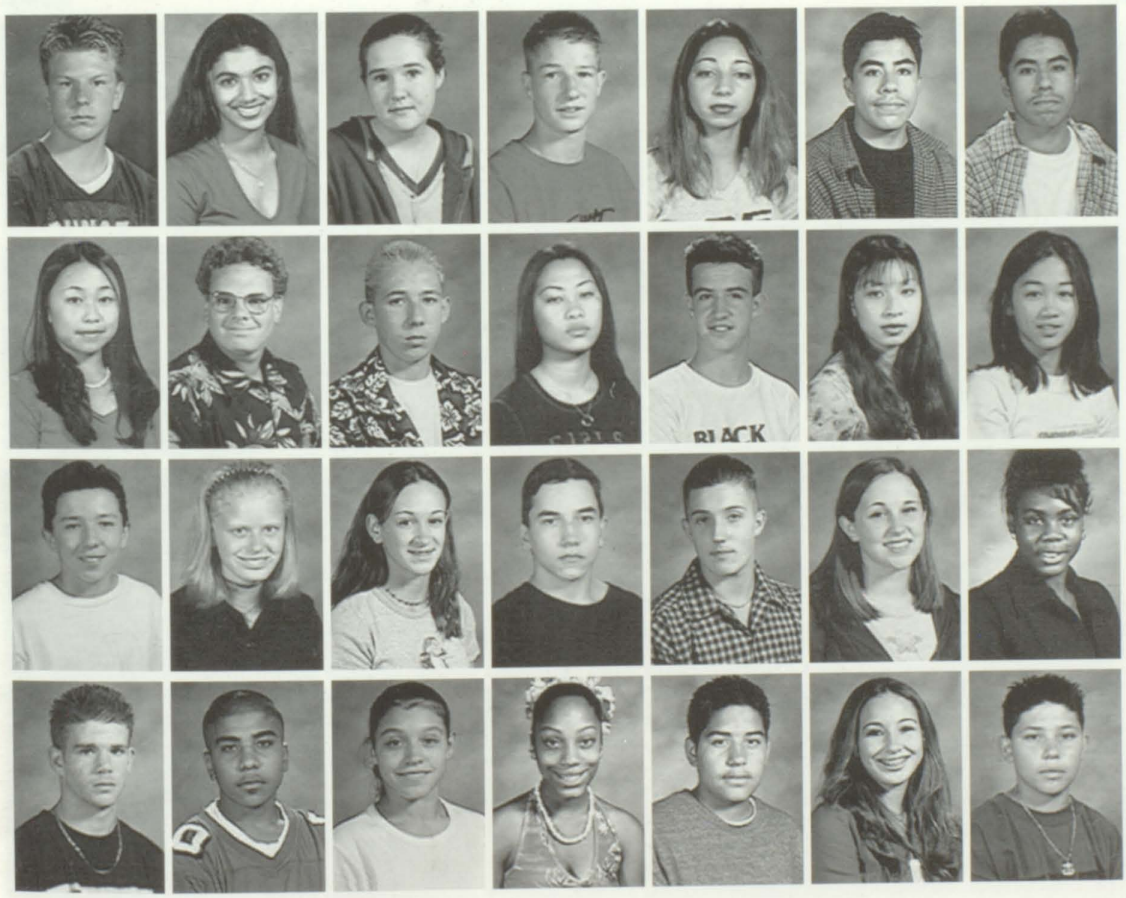
Being up high sometimes could be a real scare. Freshman Sarah Vegas said, "I'm so scared of heights. One time I was at a theme park and was on the birdcages, and I was so scared, I almost cried!" Experiences like these could make teens avoid activities such as mountain hiking or going up the Eiffel Tower.

As the clock ticked on, students realized that if they did not let go of their phobias, they could miss out on a lot in life.

SINCE SHE HAS ARACHNOPHOBIA, Aimee Barry fears spiders. Everyday, she tries to overcome her terrifying fear, but it's difficult for her.



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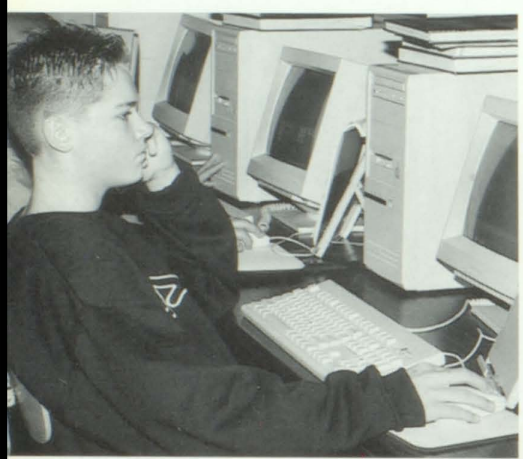
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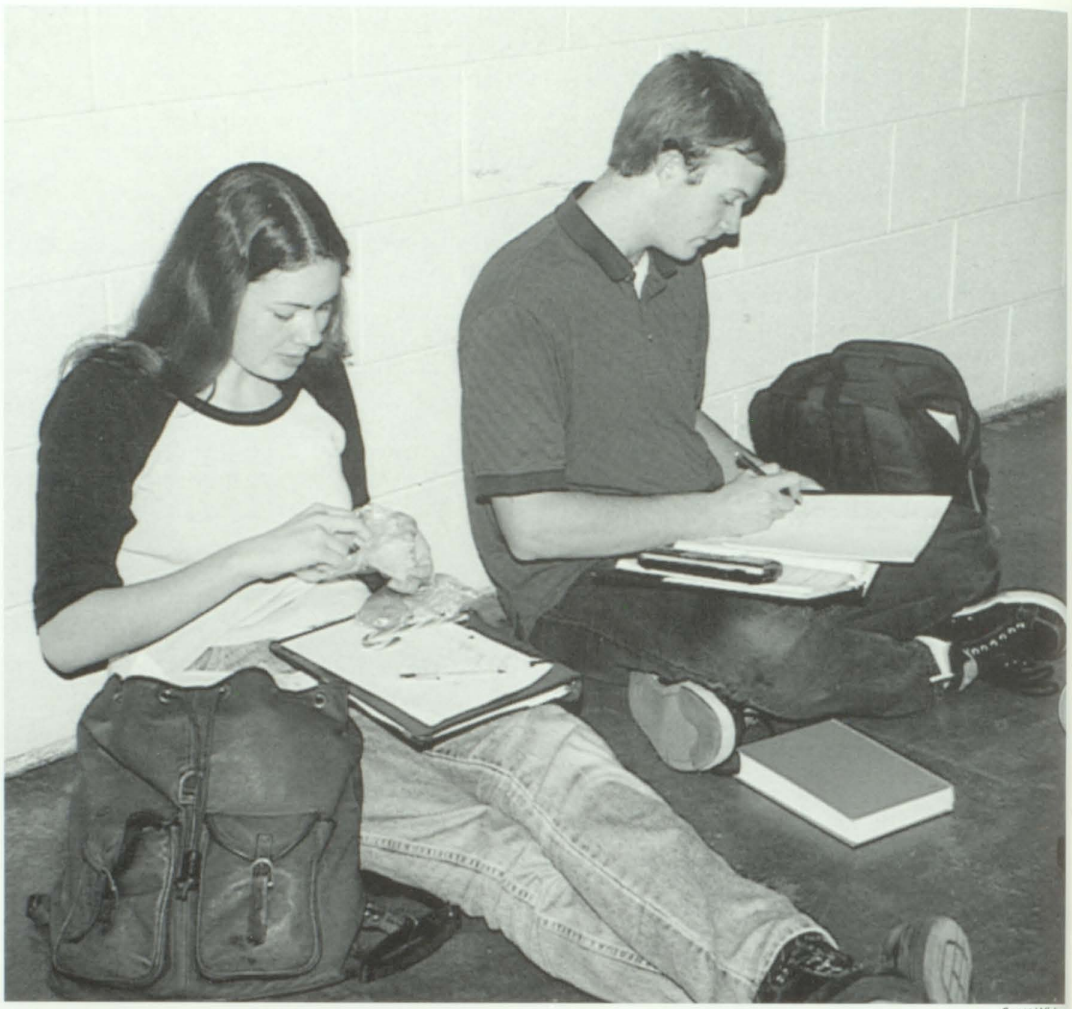
"Fear is not a good teacher. The lessons of fear are quickly forgotten."
—Mary Catherine Bateson, 1989

Students such as Loren Perez and Ben Zarzycki use technology to complete their homework. School may be more technology directed in the future.

Using a computer, Brandon MacFarlane completes his word processing assignment. In the future, students said that computers will be as common as the pencil.



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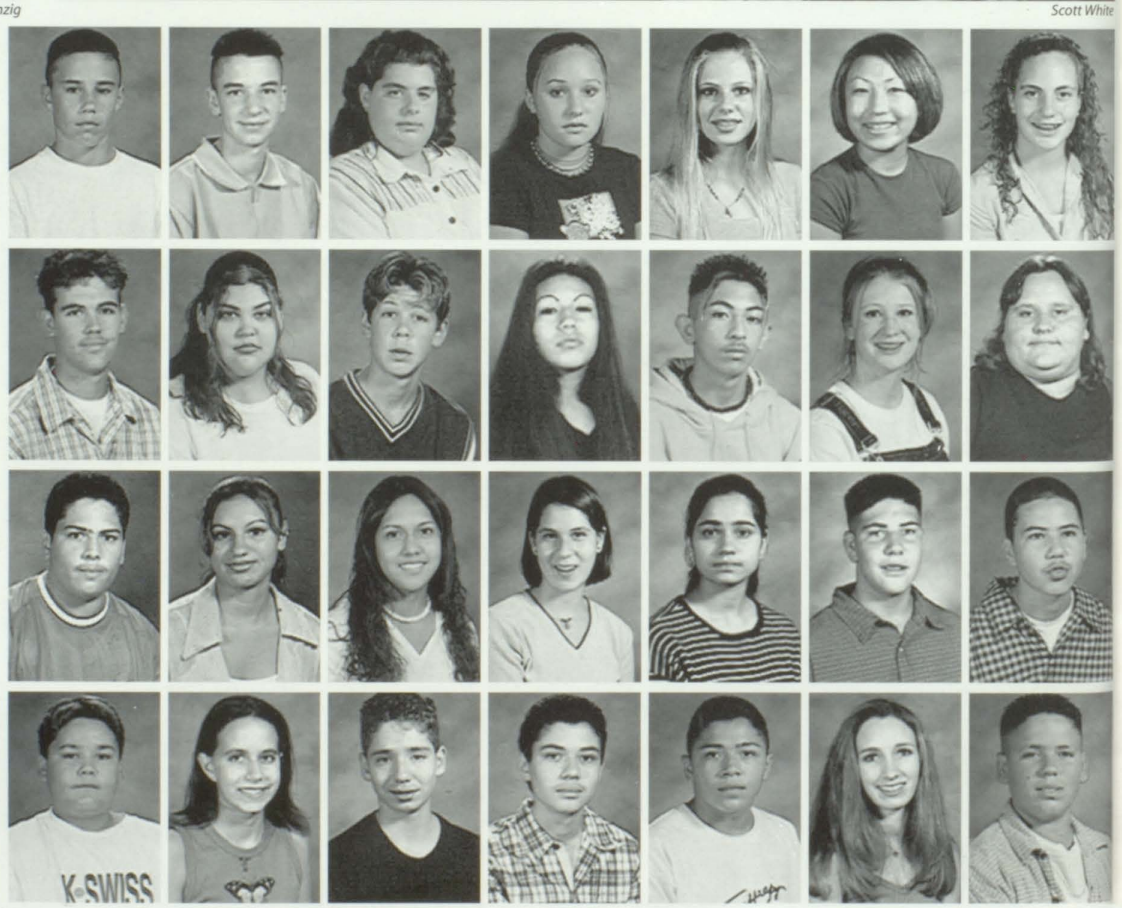
"I never think of the future, it comes soon enough."
—Albert Einstein, scientist

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EXAMINING INFINITE POSSIBILITIES

LOOKING AHEAD, STUDENTS REVEAL THEIR HOPES, FEARS, AND DREAMS FOR WHAT THE FUTURE MAY HOLD

BY AMANDA LAU

What exactly was in store for us in the new Millennium? Students generated their own predictions of things to come.

In the future some envisioned the world being more digital. Sophomore Michael Cesco predicted that technology would become a necessity that people would not be able to function without. "Computer use will skyrocket and society will become more dependent on them."

Will our modern modes of transportation be sufficient enough for the ever-increasing population? Perhaps we'll travel in hovering crafts just like *The Jetsons*. Junior Brittney Dunn saw future transportation as being more environmentally friendly. "I think that future transportation will be similar to what we have now except cars will be powered by the sun instead of gasoline."

Problems such as world hunger and global conflicts presented themselves as formidable dilemmas. The United Nations has taken steps to ease the tragedy of world hunger. Freshman Eric Johnson saw that this problem was not so easily resolved. "Even if life improves for some, the world will still have a high rate of hunger and poverty." One day countries might actually set aside their differences and strive toward the lofty dream of world peace. Sophomore Matt Haskell believed that it will be a while before world peace could truly become a reality. "I think that countries will be stockpiling weapons until the majority of people become peace activists."

Our planet supported over six billion people. What effect will this have on the future standard of living? Freshman Victoria Hill predicted that "Expenses will go up because there's going to be less resources available to us."

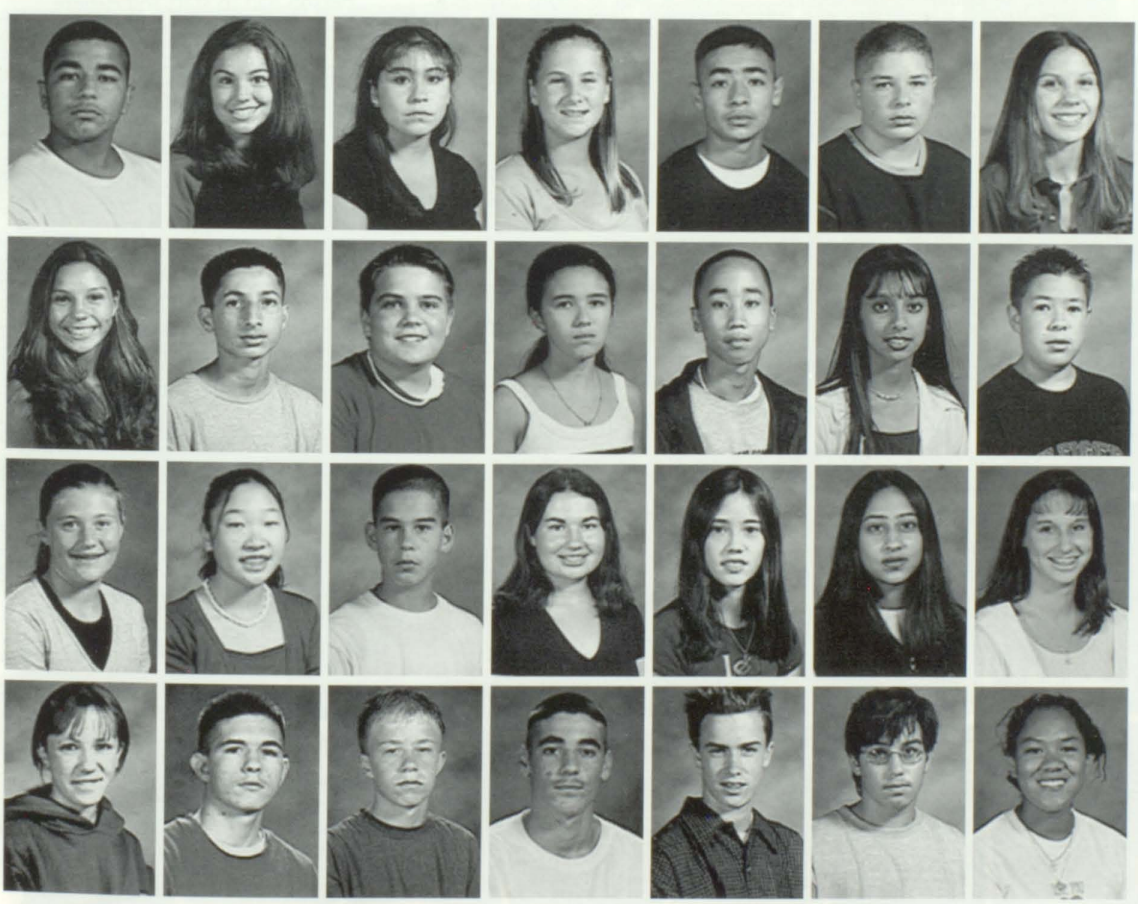
This century saw many political advancements for women. Jeanette Rankin became the first woman in the U.S. Congress in 1916 and Margaret Thatcher became the first woman prime minister in England in 1969. Junior Lori Drake harbored the hope that "Eventually we will have a woman president."

The future cannot be written; whatever will be will be. Then again things may stay the same.

DRVING HER WHITE MUStang, Tiffany Dreyer cruises along in the back parking lot. With all of the advancements being made in transportation, wheels might not be necessary in the future.



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"To infinity and beyond!"
—Buzz Lightyear in Disney's *Toy Story*

MORE THAN STUPID PET TRICKS

SOME STUDENTS ARE TALENTED IN WAYS THAT ARE NOT OBVIOUS TO MOST PEOPLE

BY SARAH ATFIELD

Believe it or not, many students had talents hidden from the rest of us. We knew the skilled musicians or singers, but how about the talented ice skater or chef? Hidden behind the baggies and fleece were some students with natural talents.

The Junior Class had many that were talented, but one that stuck out the most was Cynthia Gomes who enjoyed jet skiing. She said, "When my family and I go camping I love to go out on the water and jet ski." Cynthia found that she could spend time with her family and do the thing she loved at the same and that's what made camping special.

Ice skating was something most of us could do, but sophomore Noel Brown had a real talent. Noel has been ice skating since he was about six or seven. He has developed a natural talent for this difficult sport. "I remember the very first time I set foot on the ice, I didn't fall. I just kept on skating. That is when I knew I had a talent," said Noel. Though he did not compete, he was very skilled at it. Noel practiced skating backwards and did other tricks.

Most students knew how to use a microwave, but few students could cook better than freshman Sweta Amir who cooked in her spare time. "When I am at home and I have nothing to do, I just cook. My mom loves it because then she doesn't have to cook dinner," said Sweta. She enjoyed cooking foods from her own culture as well as foods like cornbread. Ain't nothing wrong with that.

While many juniors had trouble doing art, Kim Wassom could paint just about anything. "Art helps express who you are and what you feel," said Kim. She enjoyed painting anything that was abstract. She loved to paint whatever she felt like. Her way of just relaxing eventually turned into a talent.

Sophomore Stefanie Hockett had a special talent of dancing. She has been dancing since she was four with no lessons. "I really loved to just dance for fun," said Stefanie. She made up her own steps as she danced to hip hop music.

Students had things they loved to do and eventually they evolved into real talents. Every famous person had to start somewhere.

MIXING AWAY, KIM PHAM makes bread from scratch for her Culinary Arts class. Out of all foods she prepared during the year, bread was one of her favorites to make.



Diane Stendahl

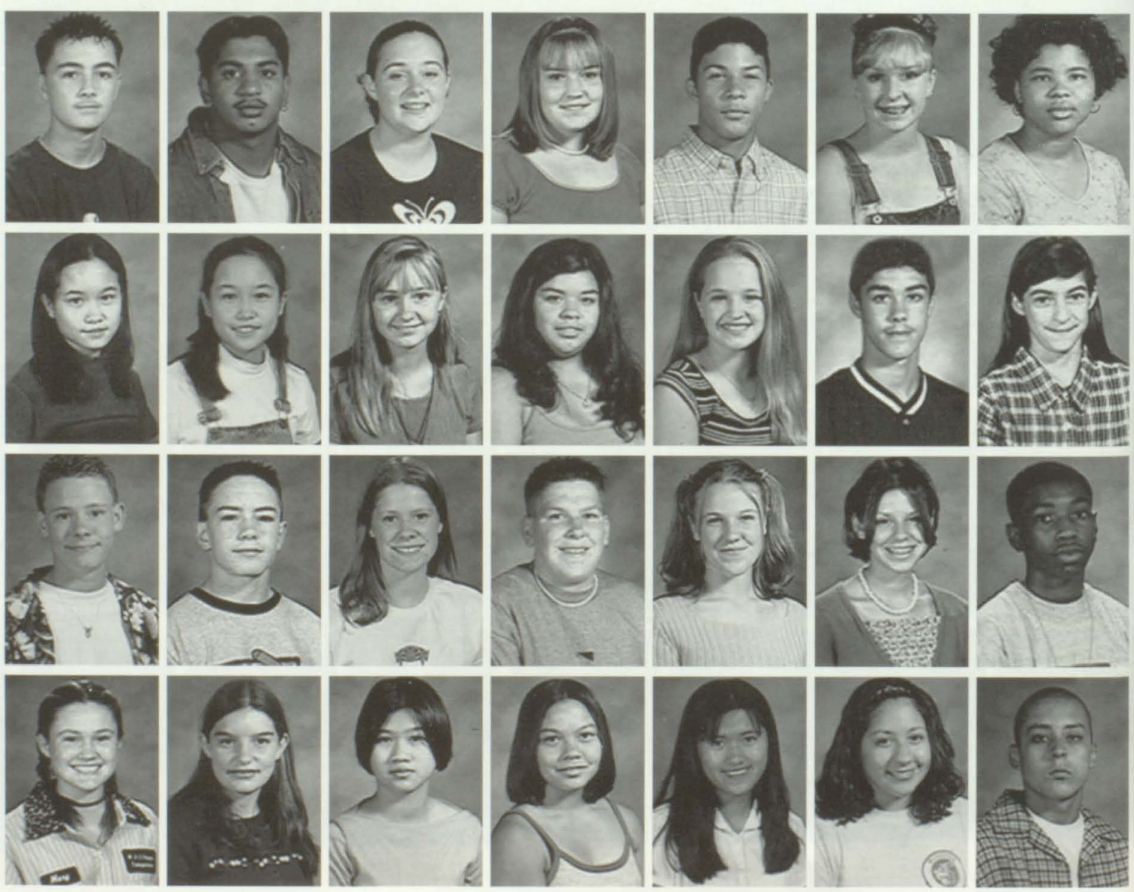
"I wonder what it's like to be a super hero."
—Matchbox20 in *Yourself or Someone Like You*

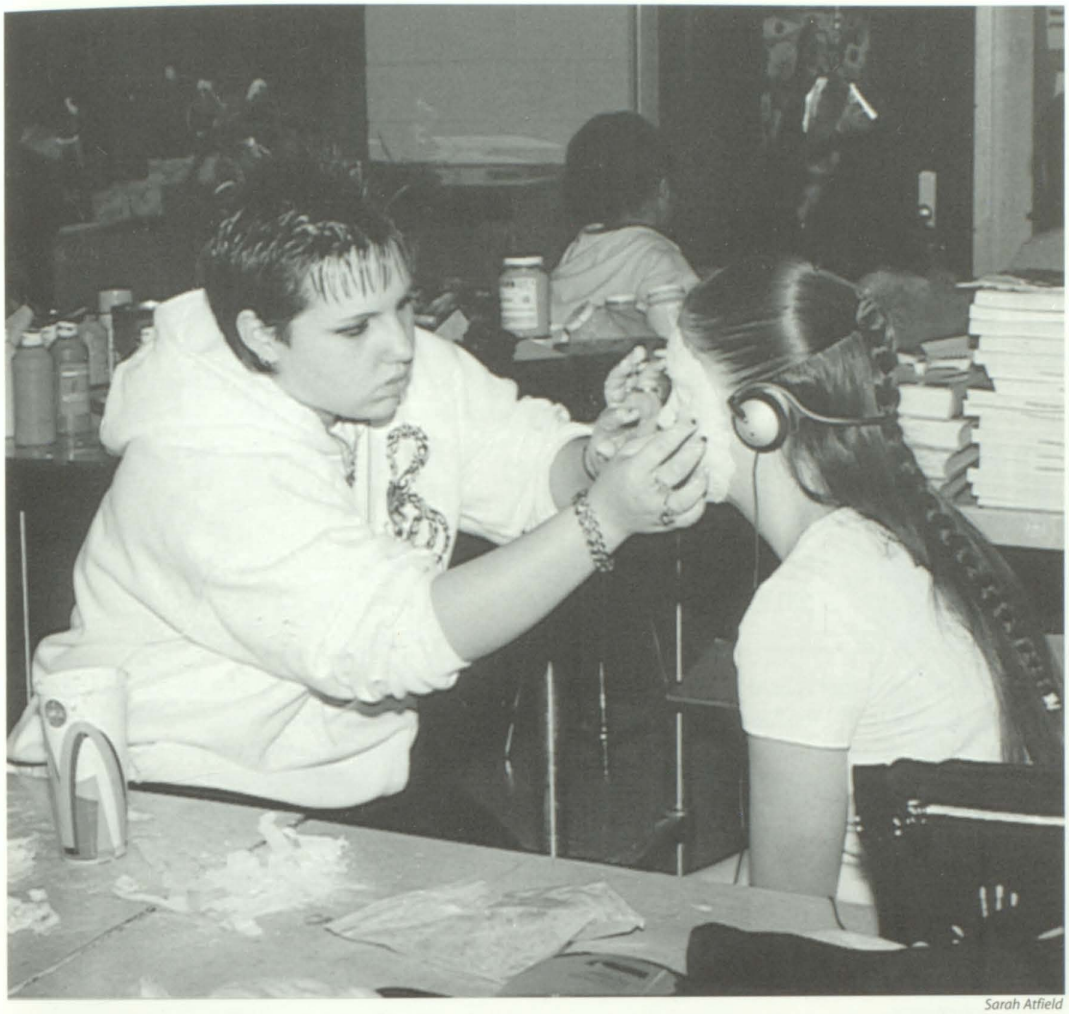
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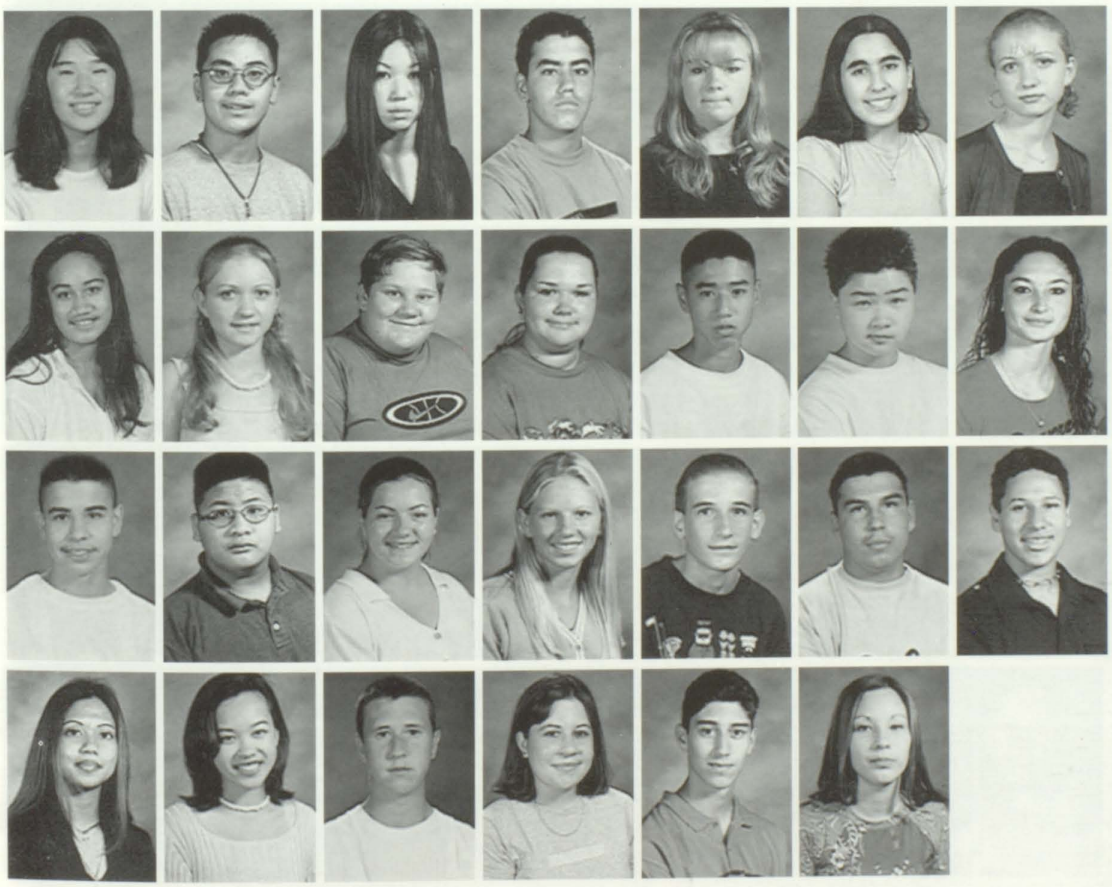
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THE SUBJECT OF A MASK, ARIANE JONES trusts Sondra Owens to apply plaster to her face in her Art 2 class. A skilled artist, Sondra draws people in her spare time.

HOPPING AWAY, BRANDON TANG LEADS Christina Callanta in the dance called the Lindy Hop taught in his Social Dance 2 class. Brandon has a natural talent for dancing.



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"Use what talent you possess; the woods would be very silent if no birds sang except those that sang best."
—Henry Van Dyke, novelist

DIFFICULT LESSONS LEARNED

BY MAKING MISTAKES AND STARTING OVER, STUDENTS LEARN LESSONS THE HARD WAY

BY TAMARA LUKAS

Part of being a student was learning a lesson one way or another. Most Irvington students learned lessons the hard way. Whether dealing with school, friendship, love or finding time for everything, students managed to solve their problems.

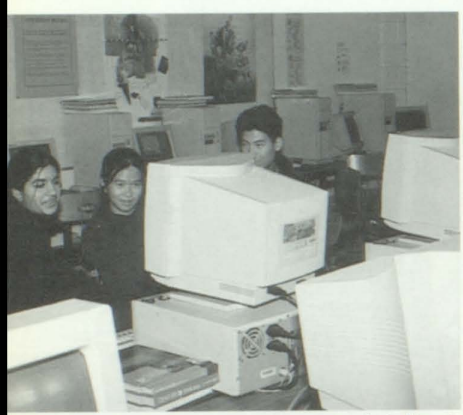
For many students, finding time for everything was difficult. "Adjusting to high school is hard. You have so much to do. You have to learn to manage your time," said freshman Lorina Fermaint. Honors classes and extra-curricular activities took time away from students. Junior Nabiha Tariq was in three honors classes. She had a little trouble in finding time for everything, and the work was difficult, but in the end she had advice for other students: "Don't put work off until tomorrow because you'll never end up doing it."

Some students said love was a hard lesson to learn. Sophomore Nicole Trejo said, "The only way to work out problems is to talk about them. When you are really in love, you can talk about anything." Many students stated that knowing when to trust or not to trust was a hard lesson to learn. The main cause of teen break-ups was the loss of trust.

Friendship was a major topic in students' lives. Friends stood by through thick and thin. It was not always like that, though. For freshman Enny Van, keeping her old friends at the school from which she transferred was difficult. "It was hard to keep in touch with all my old friends because by the time we would get to call each other, so much would have happened that it would be like we didn't know each other anymore," said Enny. For freshman Saquoia Christian, spending too much time with her friends began to affect her grades. "I used to just hang out with my friends and then when my grades started dropping, I knew had to start studying. I had to learn everything at once, and that was hard," she said.

Every mistake students made and every success they achieved shaped them into the people they will grow up to be. Even though at the time their mistakes seemed like bad things, in the end they could turn out as something good. So, maybe sometimes it was okay to learn a lesson the hard way.

IN HER HISTORY CLASS, Nabiha Tariq completes her project. She has learned to do her work right when she is assigned it.



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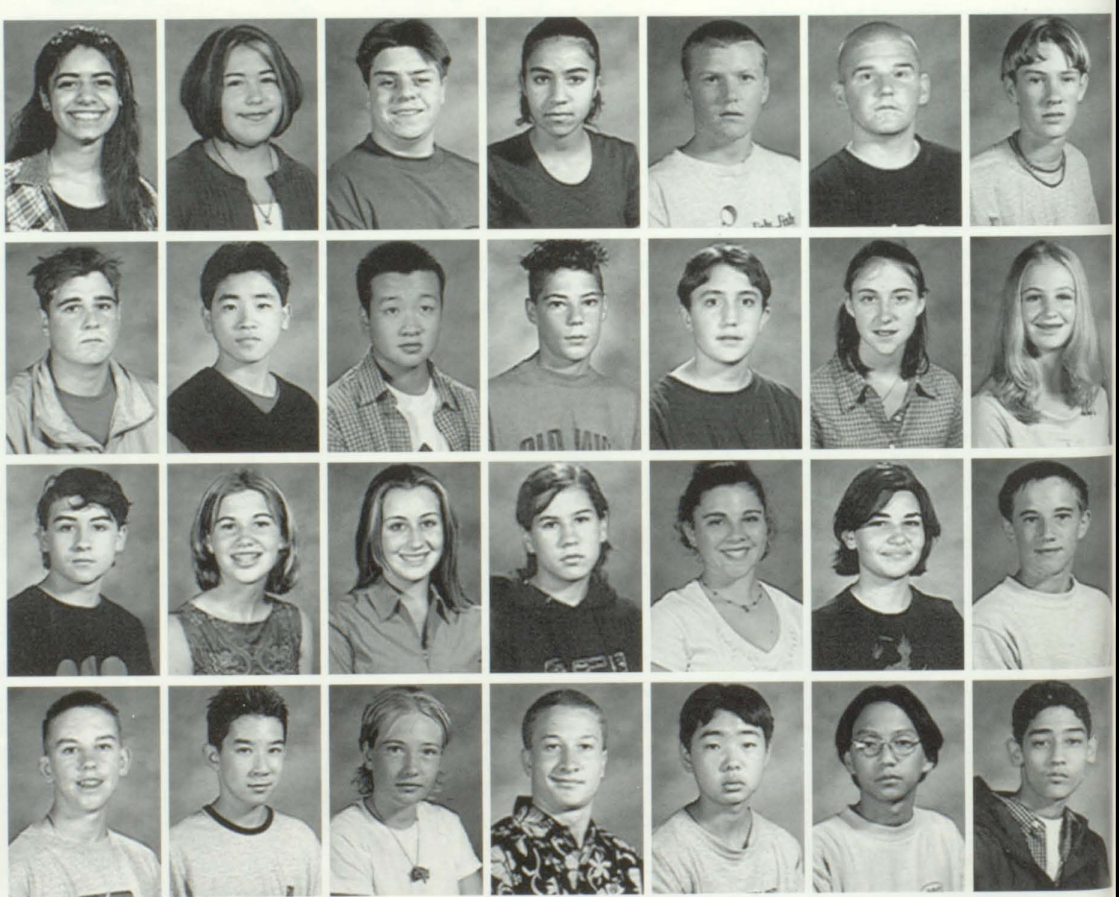
"Mistakes are a fact of life. It is the response to error that counts."
—Nikki Giovanni, author

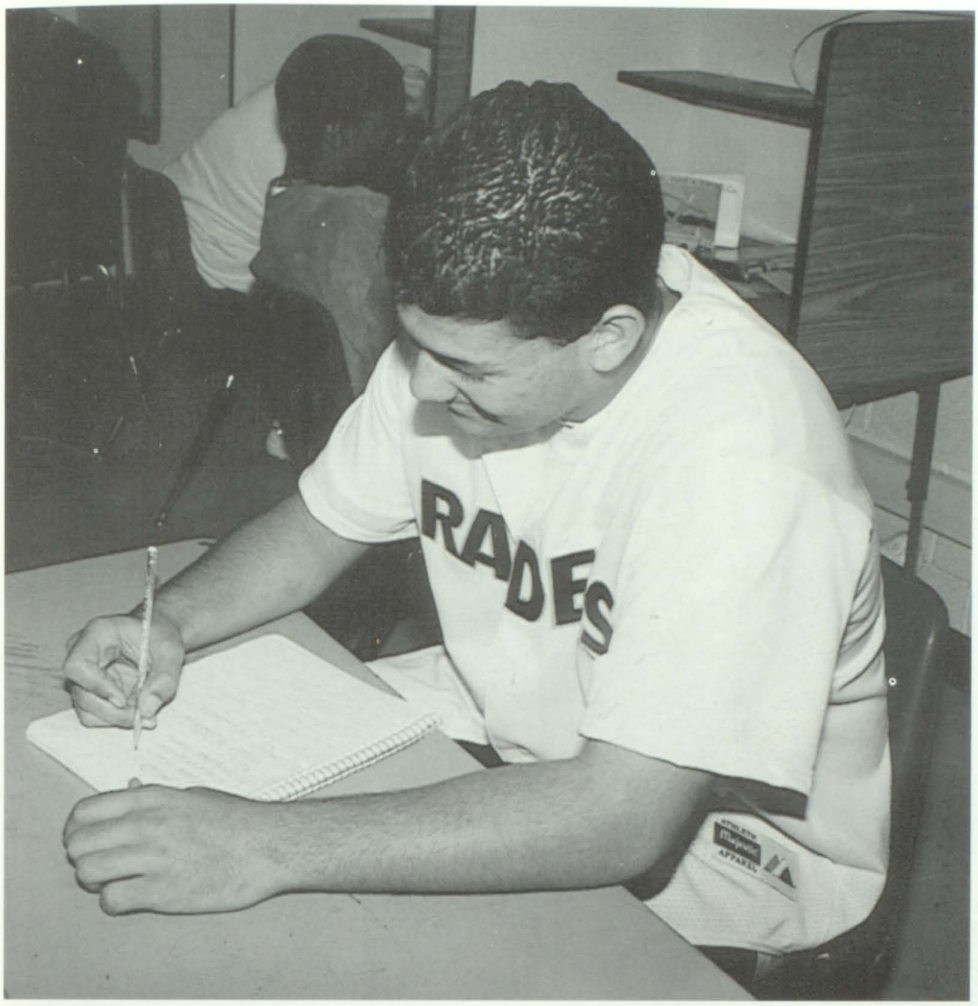
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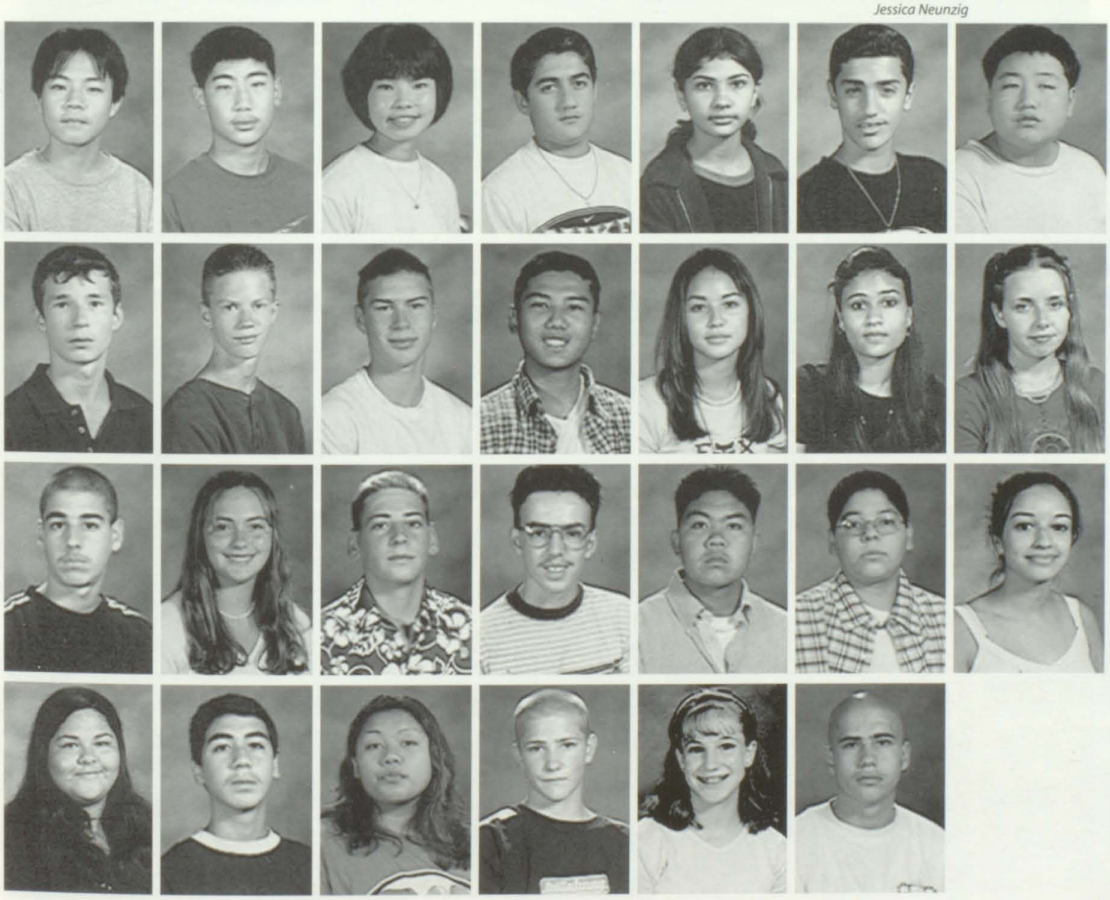
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In the R.C room, Germain Vargas writes sentences for his fifth period Spanish teacher. Germain had to learn the hard way that acting up in class gets him no where.

For most students, going out with one person seems impossible, but not for Nicole Trejo and Josh Mattison. From past experience, they have learned how to maintain a relationship.



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"All men make mistakes, but only wise men learn from their mistakes."
—Winston Churchill, prime minster of England

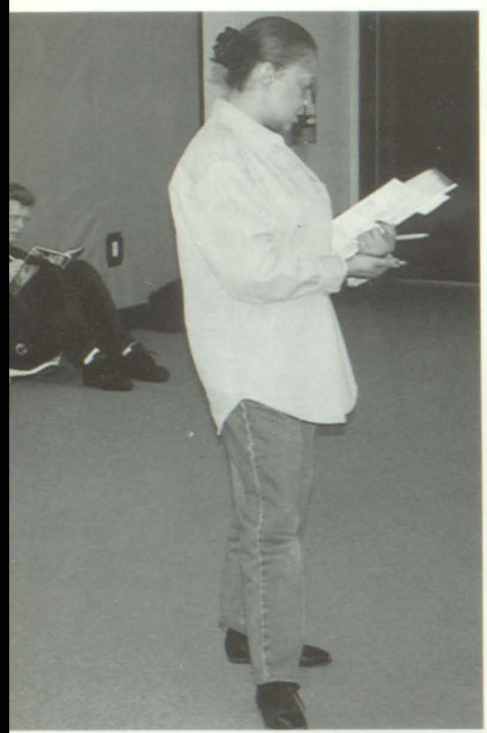


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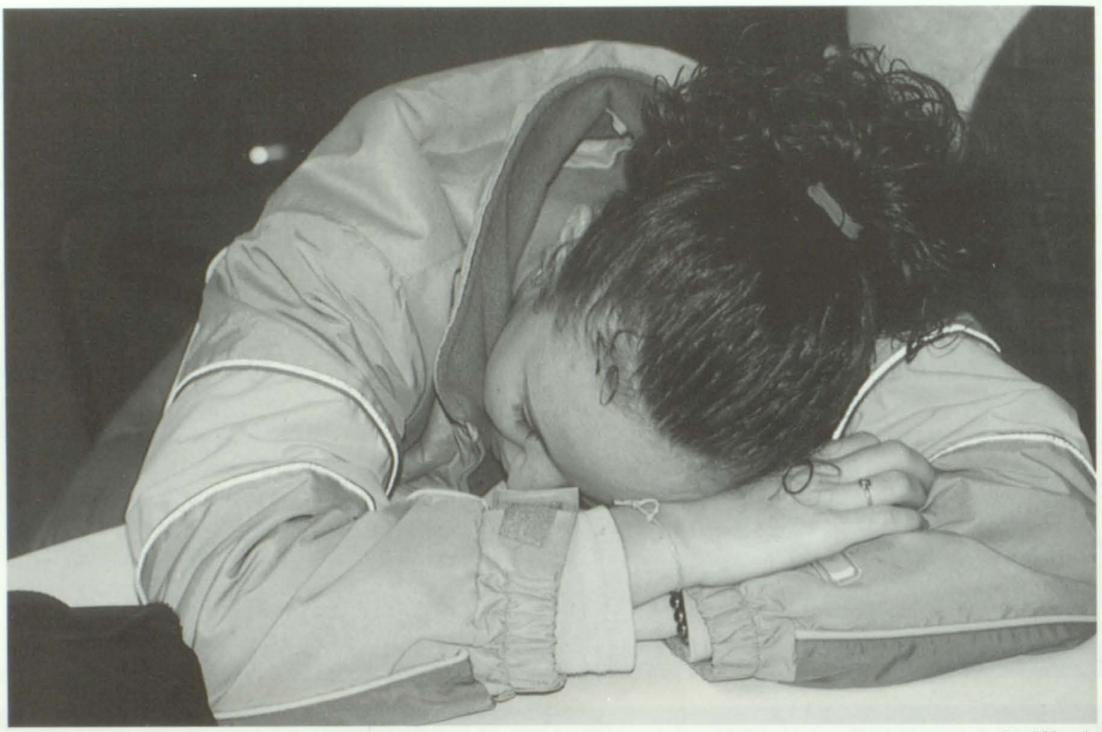
Instead of listening, Andrew Ames finishes up his chemistry work. By doing other classwork in his drama class, he is able to have more free time outside of school.

Dosing off in second period, Amanda Lumley catches up on some much needed sleep. Her drowsiness was due to her early morning Seminary classes.

It takes two chairs to satisfy Dana Stocking. The refreshing break she took helps her concentrate for the rest of the day.



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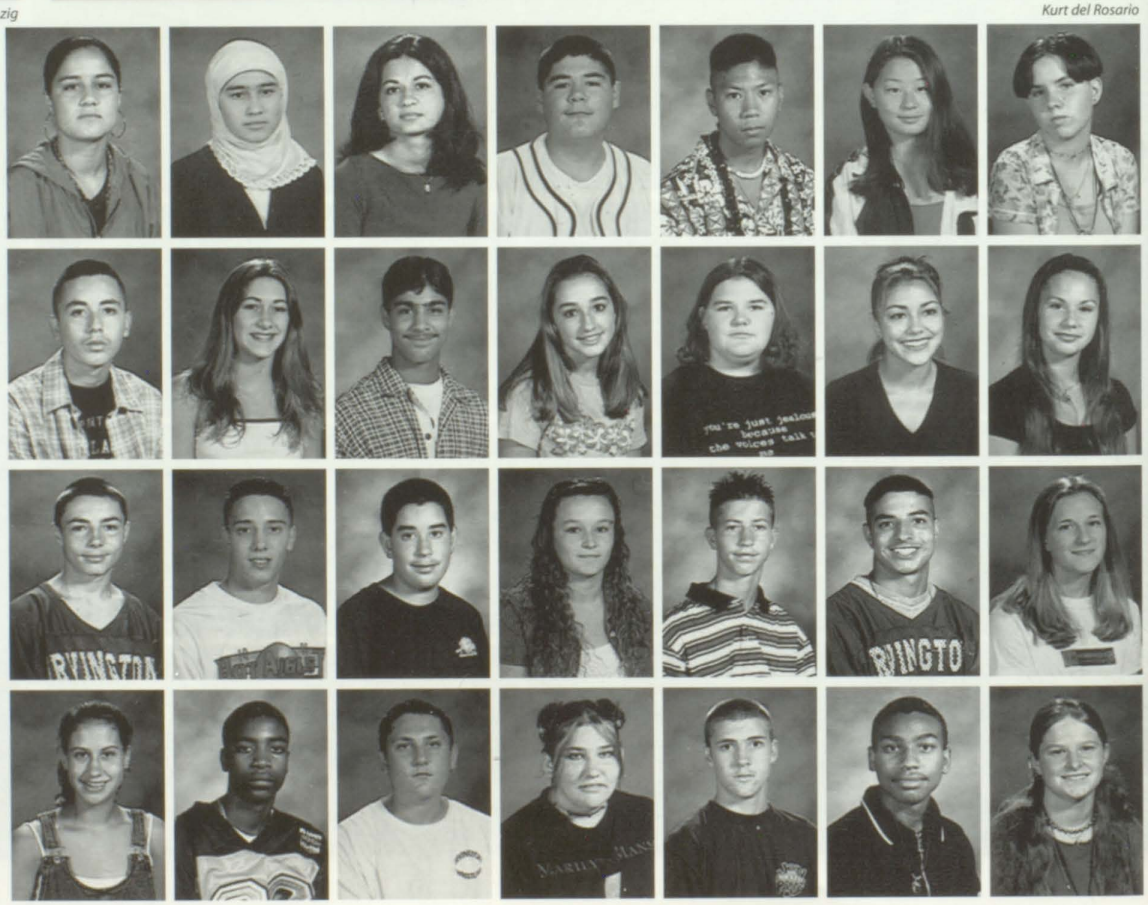
"My back hurts', 'My legs hurt'... 'I'm only four!'"
—Frank Cross Sr. on excuses why people can't work in *Scrooged*

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IS THAT WHAT WE'RE DOING?

STUDENTS AGREE THAT SOMETIMES IT IS BEST TO DO SOMETHING ELSE WHEN THINGS GET BORING

BY KURT DEL ROSARIO

Irvington students spent most of their precious days in cold, iron maiden-like chairs, and adding to their misery, they listened to lectures. They fought boredom in a variety of ways like writing notes, doing work for other classes, or just falling asleep.

Sophomore Amanda Lumley often fell asleep in her classes. Amanda said, "Sometimes the teacher speaks in a monotone voice and I have to just start doing something or I will fall asleep." Falling asleep at the wrong times not only got her in trouble but also embarrassed her. In her freshman year, Amanda fell asleep in her English class. "When I woke up everyone was looking at me, and the teacher told me to stay after class," Amanda said. Besides having succumbed to the calls of the Sandman, Amanda also drew pictures or talked with friends whenever possible.

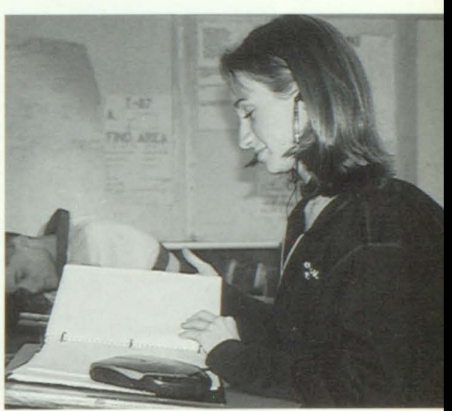
But why fall asleep when you could use all this time to do work for other classes? Junior Veronica Caballero did exactly that. She said, "Sometimes what we are doing in class can be put off for another day, so I do other work." Junior Andrew Ames said, "I do work in other classes so I have more time after school for other things." By finishing work early, students were able to have more relaxation time at home.

Writing letters to friends was what freshman Tricia Pim did regularly. "I wrote letters because school isn't fun," she said. "It gets hard to concentrate when you're bored." She would write about anything but school. "We need less lectures and more fun in the classroom," she said.

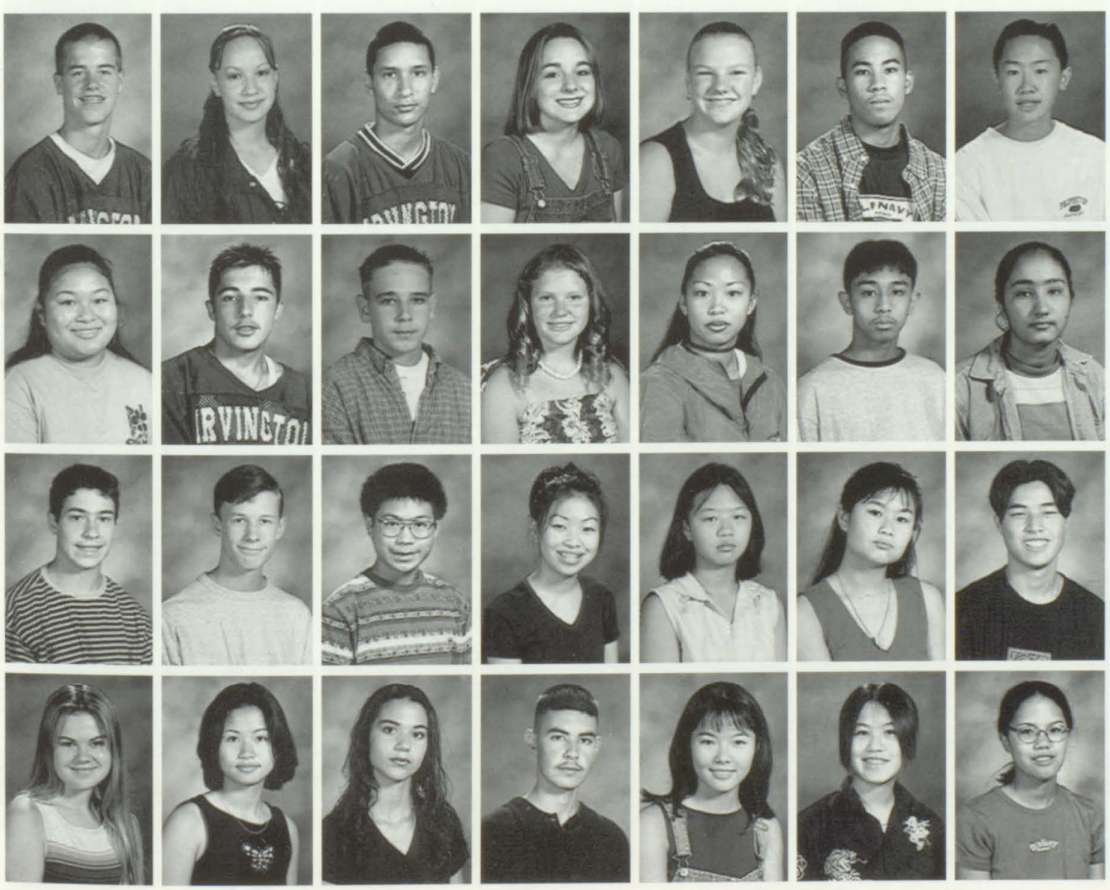
Junior Nicole Cochran often brought out the music when class work became repetitive. "The teachers always gives us busywork, so I listen to music," Nicole said. "If we were allowed to listen to music, class would be more fun. Allowing the students to bring out their walkmans would make busywork enjoyable."

Whether it was the homework they put off until the morning, the date they just had to write their friends about, or the sultry harmonies of their favorite singers, Irvington students always found ways to avoid doing their classwork.

LISTENING TO SARA McLachlan helps Nicole Cochran finish her work without getting bored. She thinks that teachers should let students listen to music when they assign busywork.



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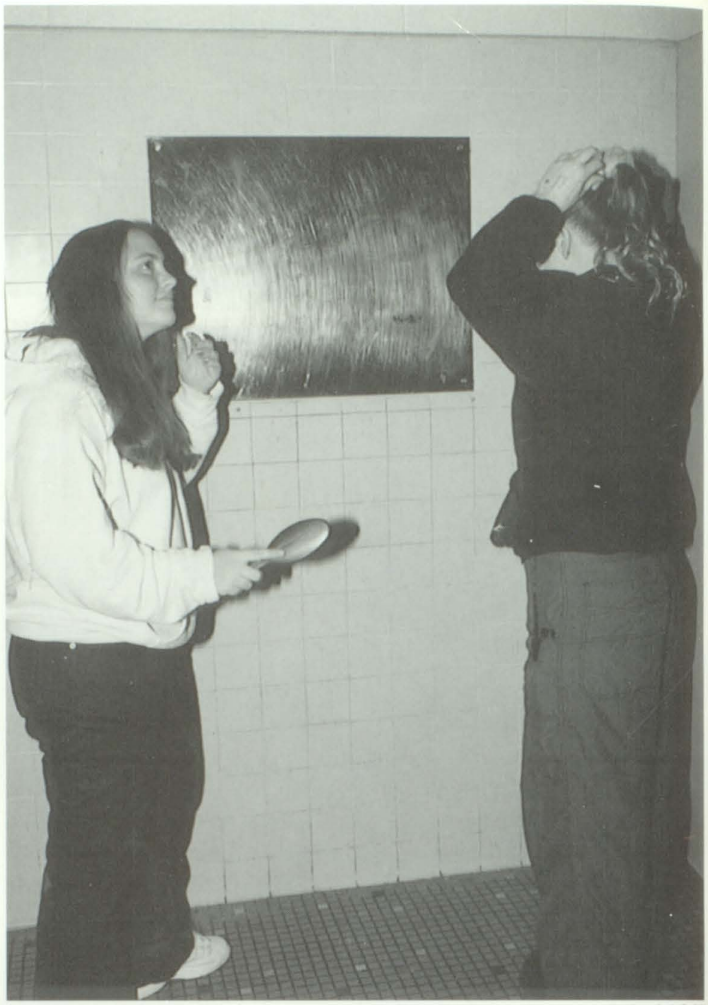
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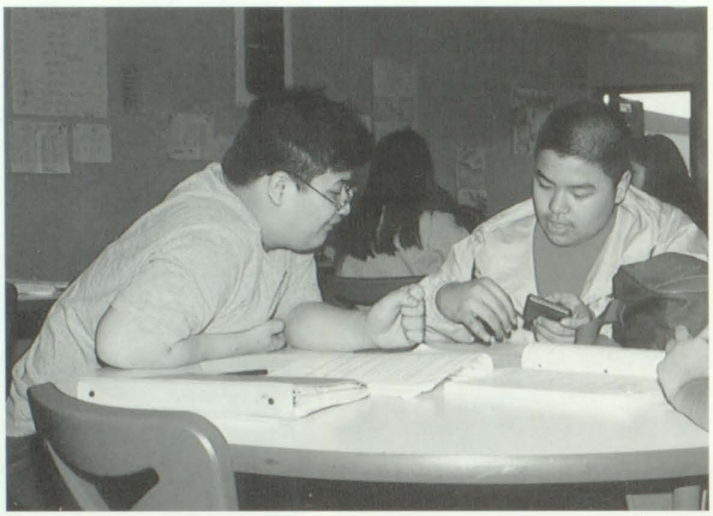
"Boredom is a sign of satisfied ignorance,...an irreclaimable weakness of character."
—James Bridie, 1943

In the bathroom, Heather Alcock and Melody Castro fix their hair before class. Girls not only used the bathroom for obvious reasons, but also for appearance reasons.

Federick Bustos can't help but laugh when he sees an endless line for the girls restroom. He knew the girls have lines because they have fewer facilities than guys did.



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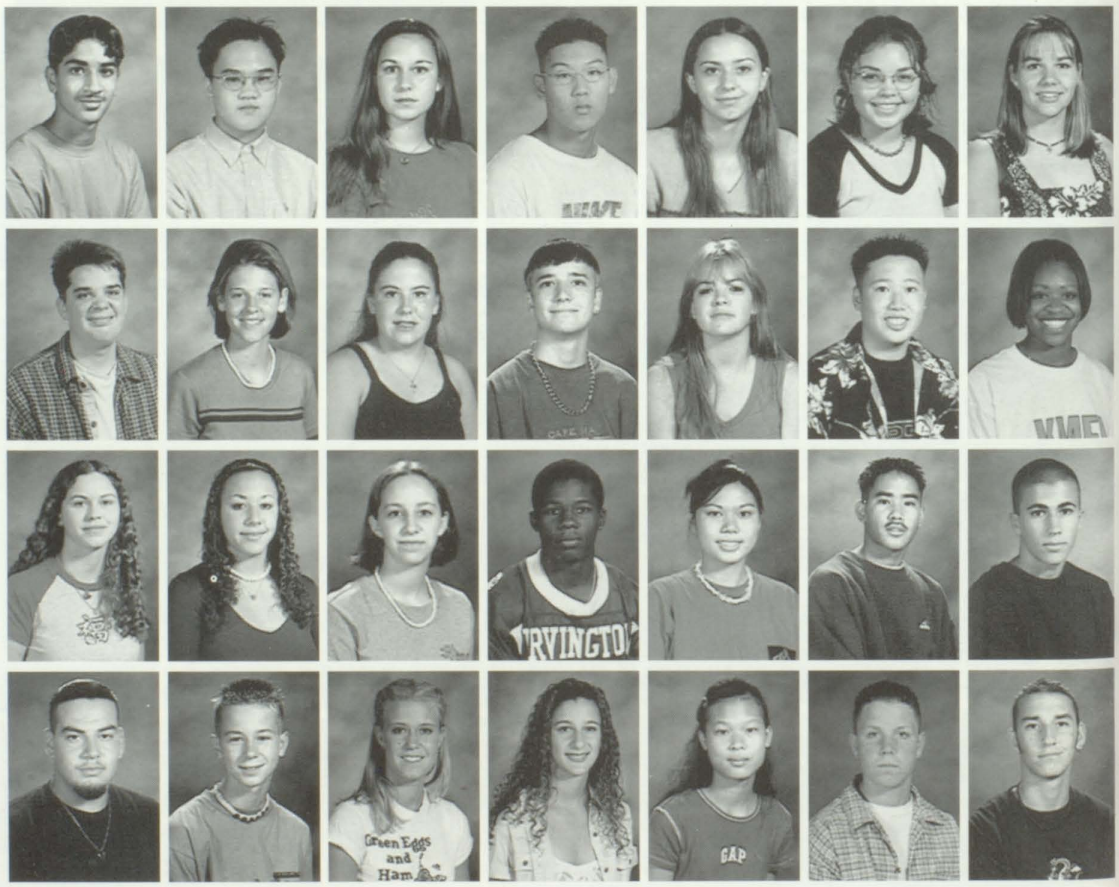
"Good questions outrank easy answers."
—Paul A. Samuelson, economist

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CURIOSITY BURNS WITHIN ALL

EVER HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT IRVINGTON THAT NEEDS TO BE ANSWERED? LOOK NO FURTHER, THE ANSWER MIGHT REVEAL ITSELF

BY RICHELLE NOBLES

Students questioned everything and found their answers here at IHS. But there were still some questions that most IHS students were curious about.

Ever wonder why there were long lines in the girl's bathroom and barely one in the boy's? Enduring the experience of waiting in long lines to just go to the bathroom was sometimes frustrating. Considering this conundrum, sophomore Jessica Supnet said, "Girls have really good hygiene. They go to the bathroom to check their make-up, fix their hair and other things. I think some guys don't like to waste their time." Members of the opposite sex felt differently. Freshman Federick Bustos said, "The guys don't just have stalls, but they also have tubs so there are two separate places for guys to do their business. Girls have only one. Just because they have a line and we don't doesn't mean we're dirty."

Valhalla has seen IHS through many productions over the years. Many students were curious as to how Valhalla received its name. "Somebody told me that Valhalla means stadium in the Viking language. They probably gave it that name because of the way Valhalla is built. It looks like a stadium," said junior Josh Smith. But some people thought Valhalla meant something else. Sophomore Kathy Nguyen said, "Valhalla means all Vikings in the Viking language." In Norse mythology, Valhalla actually meant a heavenly place where brave fallen warriors were received by a god named Odin.

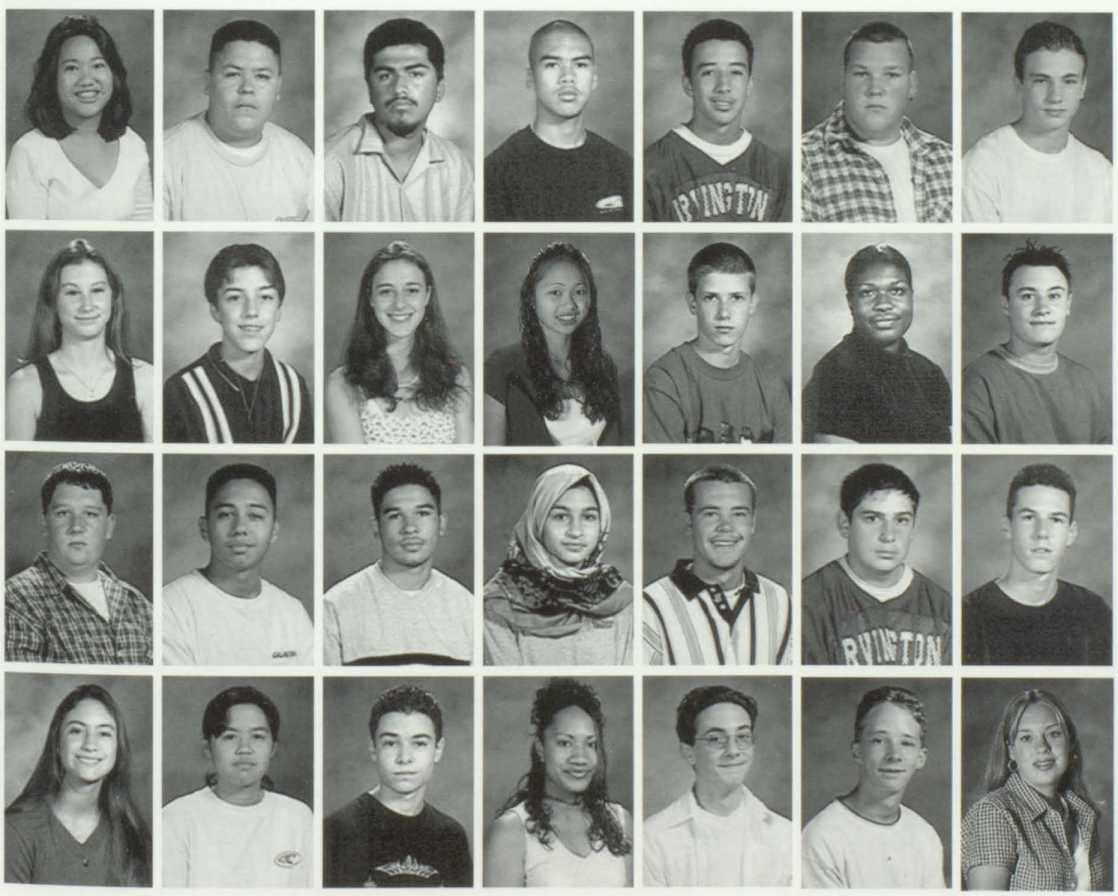
After second period, the cafeteria got bombarded with hungry, food-deprived students, pushing their way through the halls to get there before everyone else. All the chaos had people wondering why IHS did not have snack machines. Many students felt that if they have soda machines they should have snack machines. Junior Nick Chaparro said, "The school probably doesn't have enough money to afford snack machines. The money made from the machines would maybe go the vending company and not to the school." In fact, snack machines would compete with the cafeteria, reducing its already limited profit.

Many questions in time could reveal their answers.

In Valhalla, Mr. Jon Nagel's Drama 1 class is "Making the Machine," an exercise that would surely get people's full, undivided attention. Valhalla has provided IHS thespians with a great atmosphere in which to work as well as a place for audiences to enjoy productions.



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"The important thing is not to stop questioning."
—Albert Einstein, scientist

EAT YOUR DARN VEGETABLES

CHOOSEY MOMS CHOOSE JIF, BUT CHOOSEY KIDS CHOOSE WHATEVER THEY WANT

BY TINA LE

Does consuming a gram of fat drive you into a Richard Simmons mania? Can you order a meal without having to first consult the waiter about every single ingredient? You might have been among the selective bunch of students who eyed their food rather than ate.

The most popular food group to shove under the table for the pet dog seemed to be vegetables. The irony of being a vegetarian did not keep freshman Tina Saparia from grimacing at carrots, zucchini or eggplant. She detested their consistencies and described their textures as "slimy." Junior Chris Baugh had a tough time with cauliflower and asparagus. Curiously though for him, these vegetables had their days. "One day I'll totally not eat them, but another day they taste okay," he said.

Chris didn't trust most desserts either. In order to get the proper sugar rush, he had to concoct them himself, transforming ordinary cookies, cakes and ice cream into tall mounds of confectionary crud.

Some kids were born food-finicky. Sophomore Teresa Bae had never touched a slice of pizza until she was 11 years old. "I'm suspicious of new foods. I always make other people try them first." Once she had a hang of pizza, she would flick the mushrooms off. "Mushrooms: I just don't like the looks of them," she said.

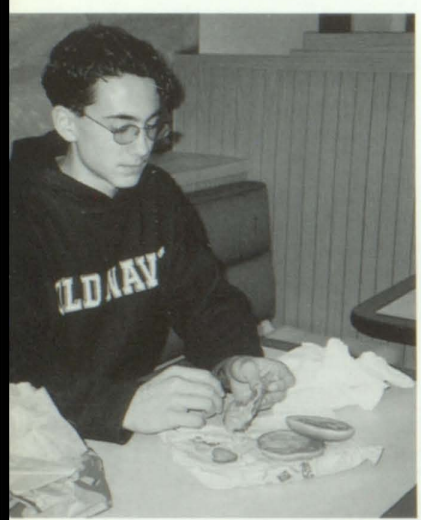
Sophomore Jeff Litwin lost his appetite when presented with any ethnic foods, with the exception of Mexican, his fave.

Other diet-discriminators had to have it their way or no way at all. When serving herself from the automatic rice cooker, junior Rio del Rosario insisted on taking the dried-up, crunchy rice from around the sides and top of the pot. "The portion of rice in the middle of the cooker's all mushy and watered-down. Bleah," she said.

Whenever faced with the prospect of drinking anything, junior Jenevie Gonzalez demanded a straw, or else.

No matter how barf-o-licious the food was, every teenager should polish off the mush thankfully. After all, there are those poor, starving children in third world countries who were begging for it.

CHAD FREEMAN SUFFERS the consequences of forgetting to order his burger plain. Now he must pick each and every onion and pickle off by hand.



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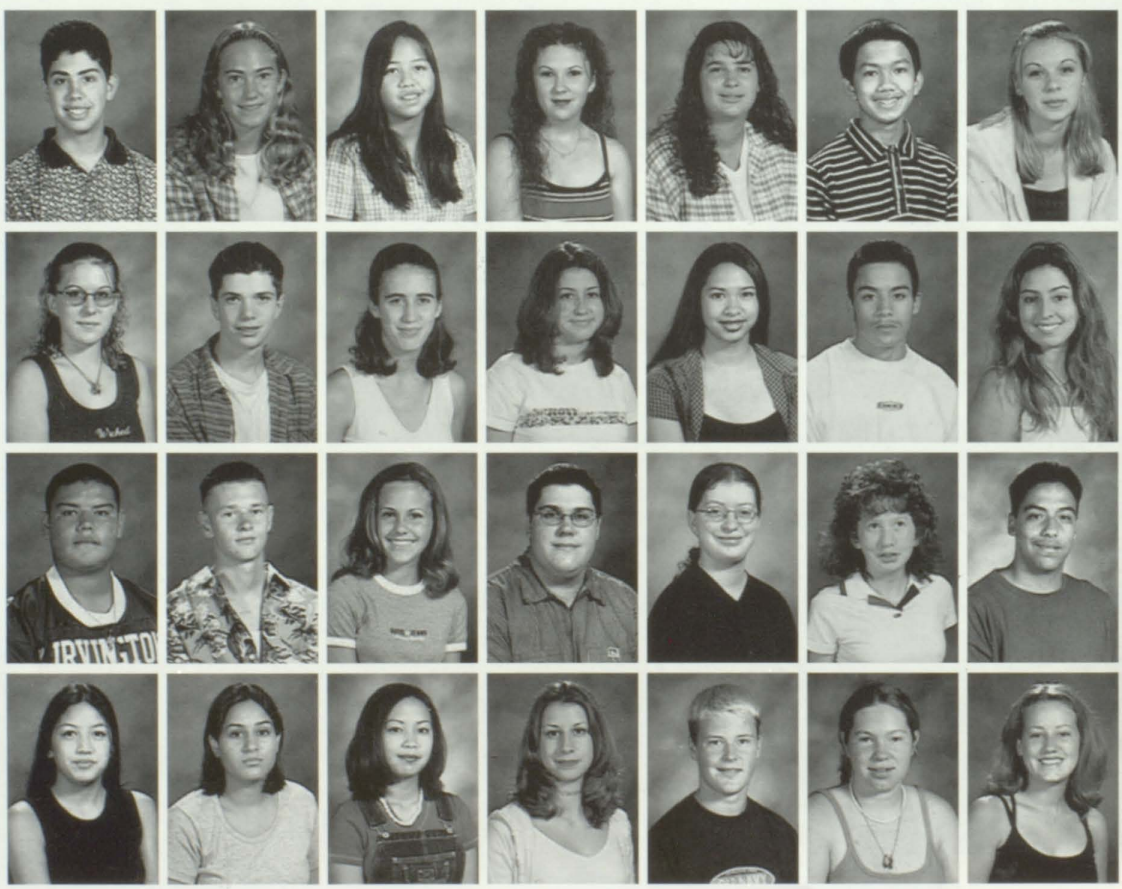
"Oh, me, oh, my, love that country pie."
—Bob Dylan, *Country Pie* from *Nashville Skyline*

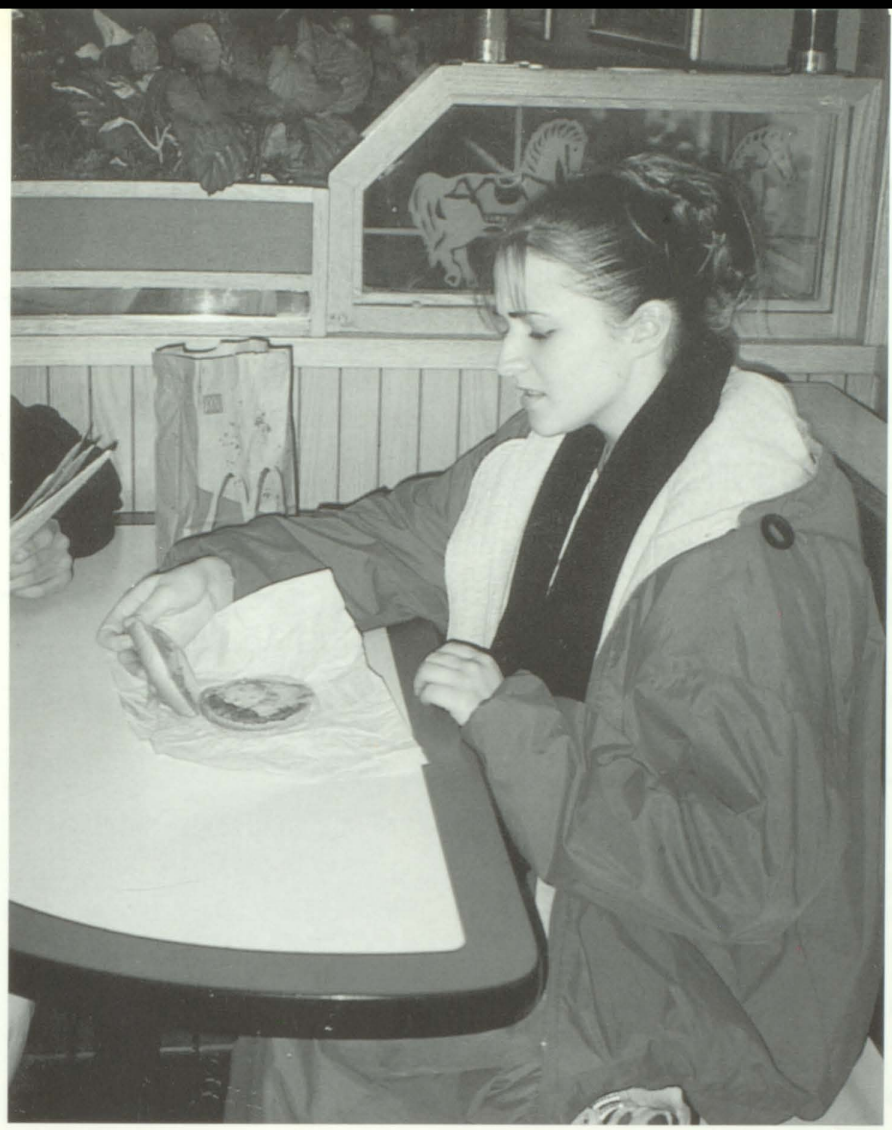
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TWO ALL BEEF PATTIES, special moss, pumice, bees, potatoes on what kind of a bun? Dana Torres inspects her burger with a suspicious eye before deciding whether to ingest it or not.

BECAUSE MEAT TASTES bad to Mireya Morales, her diet consists mostly of carbohydrates. In this case, she makes a snack from the breading around a corndog and a bagel.



Tina Le



"Meatloaf, meatloaf, double beet loaf. I hate meatloaf."
—Randy in Gene Shepard's *A Christmas Story*

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LIKE PARENTS LIKE CHILDREN

IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SOME STUDENTS WALK DOWN THE SAME HALLS THAT THEIR PARENTS DID

BY LONI LASSETER

Attending the same high school your parents did could be embarrassing, funny and strange at the same time. I should know, both of my parents attended Irvington. Not only did they go to IHS, my mom had the same P.E. teacher as I did. In front of the entire class, Mr. Bill Sinnott would ask how my mom was doing. How embarrassing that was. This situation was familiar to a number of students.

Every year Irvington had new teachers, yet some teachers have been at Irvington since our parents went to high school. Some of these teachers included: Mr. Sinnott (physical education), Mr. Jeff Fern (physical education), Ms. Marian Spooner (physical education), Mr. Joe Spinetta (social sciences), and Mr. Dave Marshall (foreign language). "I've been here since before you were born," said Mr. Sinnott.

Junior Jennifer Young was happy that in U.S. History Mr. Spinetta did not realize that he also had taught one of her parents. She said that it would have been embarrassing to be remembered from your parents. Junior Sarah Gibson had both of her parents attend IHS. Her dad, who graduated in 1982, was a star wrestler and the only Irvington wrestler that year who went to the state competition. Her mom graduated from Irvington two years later. "It wasn't embarrassing having my parents also attend IHS, but it was kind of strange when some teachers knew who my parents were and I had no idea who they were," said Sarah.

Although sophomore Tricia Perez did not have the same teachers as her dad, many of the P.E. teachers knew him from when he swam for Irvington. Taking after her dad in swimming, she swam on the Girls' Water Polo Team and also the Swim Team. Both Tricia and her mom had Ms. Spooner for P.E. When Tricia's mom was in high school, classes in P.E. concentrated mainly on one sport, so she had Ms. Spooner for gymnastics only. "It's kind of fun having parents that went to Irvington because they are very supportive in my sports, and they have a lot of Viking pride," said Tricia.

Times may change, but some things at Irvington will always stay the same.

AS SHE GETS READY TO cheer for a basketball game, Sarah Gibson stops to take a picture with her mom. Although her mom was not a cheerleader when she attended IHS, she is supportive of Sarah's cheering.



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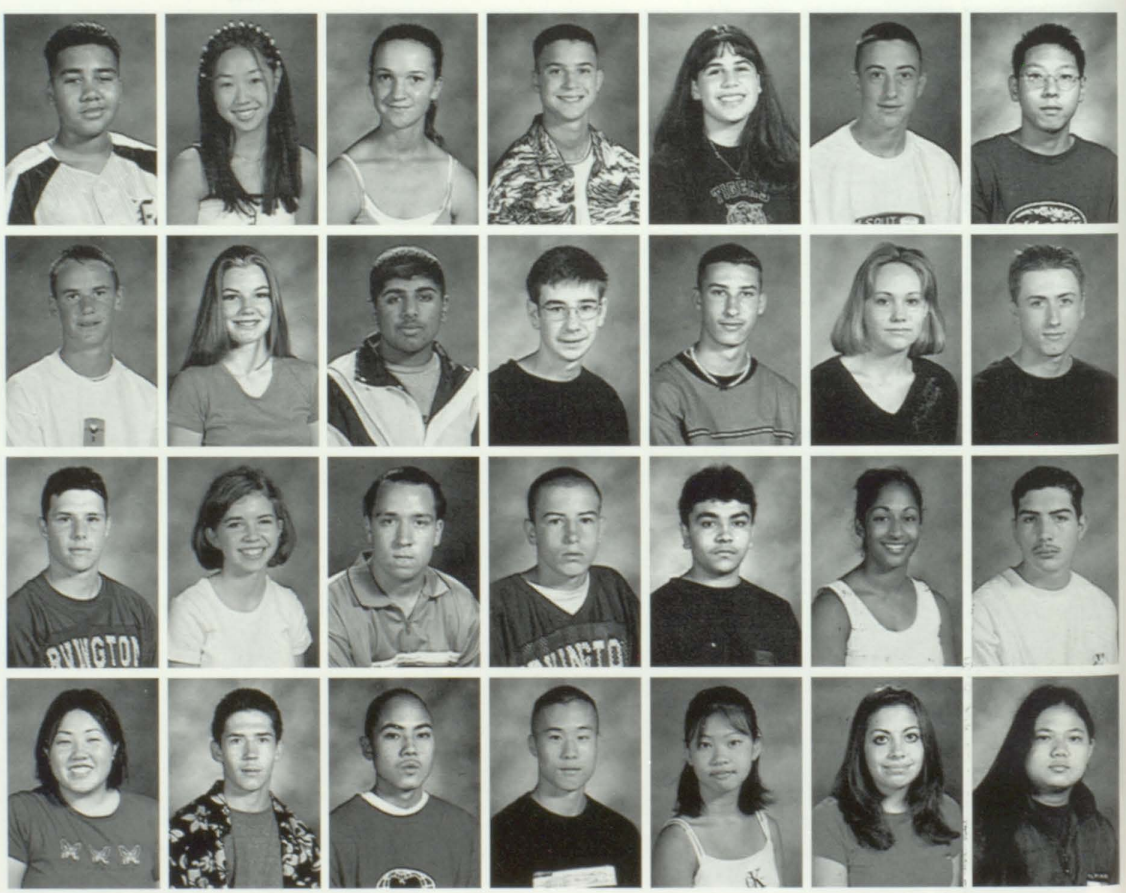
"If parents would only realize how they bore their children."
—George Bernard Shaw, playwright

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Shilpa Andalkar

Siince styles have changed and letterman jackets used to be worn tighter, Tricia Perez and her IHS alumnus father had to switch jackets. Tricia's jacket fit her father better than his own.

In the Responsibility Center, Mr. Bill Sinnott catches up on the day's headlines. Instead of teaching all physical education classes as in previous years, he also supervised in the R.C. for three periods of the day.



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"The first half of our life is ruined by our parents and the second half by our children."
—Clarence S. Darrow, lawyer

Before the board meeting, Courtney Delzompo and Ryan Hughes talk to Ms. Gloria Fagerlin, the superintendent's secretary. They were among the many ASB members who supported Irvington at the board meeting.

Cassie St. Marie and Jennifer Schaak talk while waiting outside the City Council Chamber. Cassie and Jennifer went to the January 12, 2000, School Board meeting to talk to the board about their attendance area decision.



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"Older men declare war. But it is youth that must fight and die."
—President Herbert Hoover, 1944

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MINIMUM DISRUPTION PLAN

THE IRVINGTON COMMUNITY WANTS TO KNOW WHAT IS THE REAL STORY BEHIND THE BOUNDARY CHANGES

BY AUBREY ST. MARIE

From the beginning of the 1999-2000 school year, the FUSD School Board's decisions to close Kennedy High School and to redraw the attendance area boundaries were hotly debated topics.

At first, to cut maintenance costs, Kennedy was to close after 1999-2000. Then to balance the resulting enrollment at the high school level, Irvington would lose students from Ardenwood, many of whom were GATE identified, and gain Kennedy students. Then, the school board decided to keep Kennedy open. However, they settled on a different attendance area map.

After countless meetings in which the city of Fremont discussed what would be the best plan for the schools, the Board passed their boundary changes at their February 23, 2000, meeting. As of that meeting, all students who were currently enrolled at Irvington could choose to stay for the rest of their high school years. Any student who was not in high school must follow the new boundary changes.

All of the Ardenwood area would attend American High School, and Weibel Elementary School was now part of the Irvington's attendance area not Mission's. Present eighth graders at Hopkins from the Weibel area would attend Irvington as of September 2000. These decisions resulted in a lawsuit by Weibel parents charging discrimination.

How would these changes affect IHS? It was unclear at this point what would happen to Irvington's AP classes. There was a chance that the school could lose these classes due to low enrollment. Freshman Andy Degregorio was upset over the thought of losing AP classes at IHS.

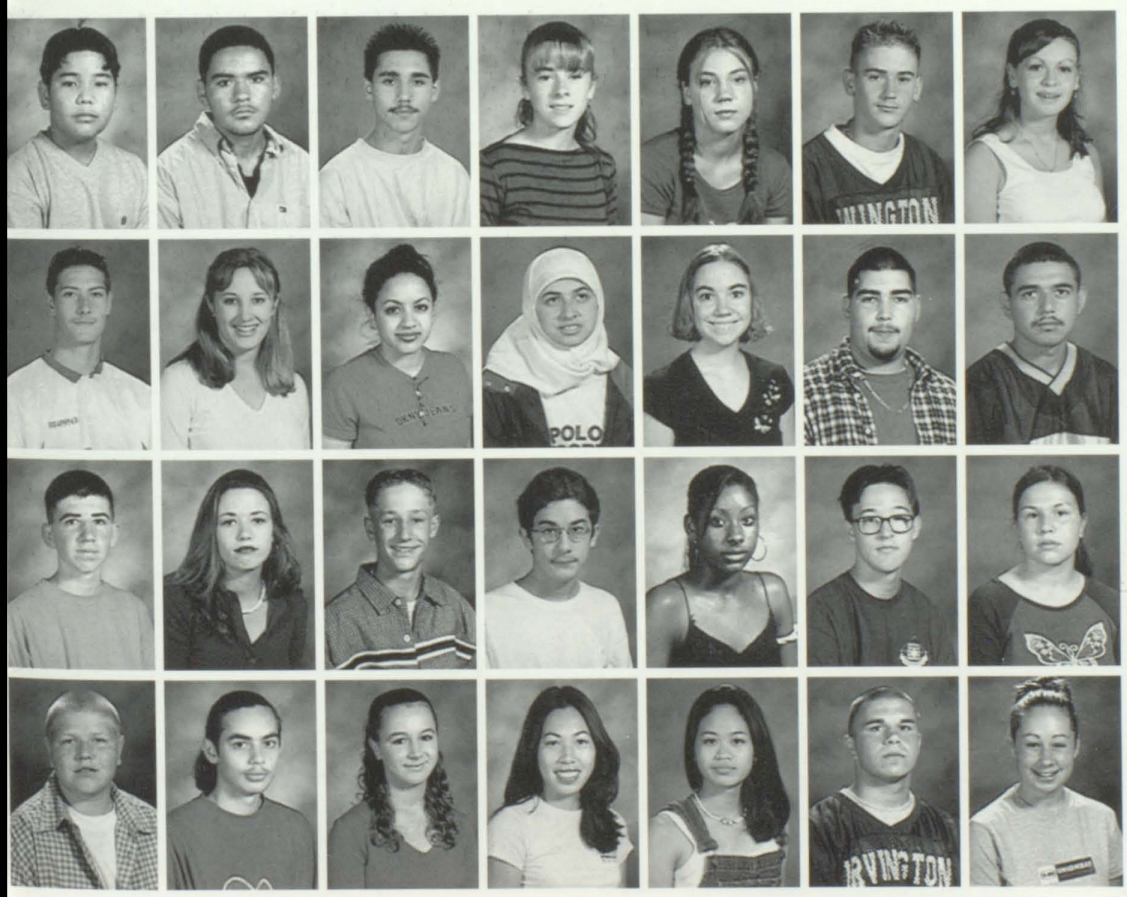
Students such as sophomores Ariel Schwitalla, Anna Propas, and Ian Morris tried getting Irvington students involved in the boundary issue to show the Board members that students were concerned about its effects on the curriculum at Irvington. With little time and lack of support, their efforts fell short. Anna said she wished she could have gotten more students involved because she believed there was a lot of information people did not know about the changes. Ian said, "I think that right now people are not making a big deal about it, but next year when they start seeing the changes, they will get angry."

The effects of these decisions still remain unknown.

JUNIOR DESIRE JABSON looks through her papers at the School Board meeting. Many students were preparing to speak on their concerns with the new boundary changes.



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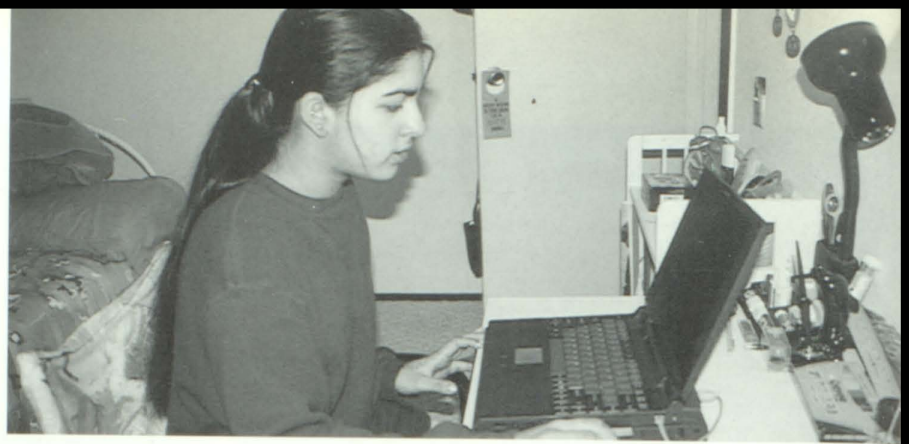
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"What the American public doesn't know is exactly what makes them the American public."
—Dan Akroyd in *Timmy Boy*



Diane Stendahl

NABIHA TARIQ HAS HAD HER fair share of bad Internet experiences. But this will not stop her from chatting, shopping and e-mailing her friends and family.



Diane Stendahl

AFTER REMOVING A VIRUS from her computer, Bree Turpin has learned to be more careful with the e-mails she receives. Caution is the one thing on her mind when she opens up new mail.

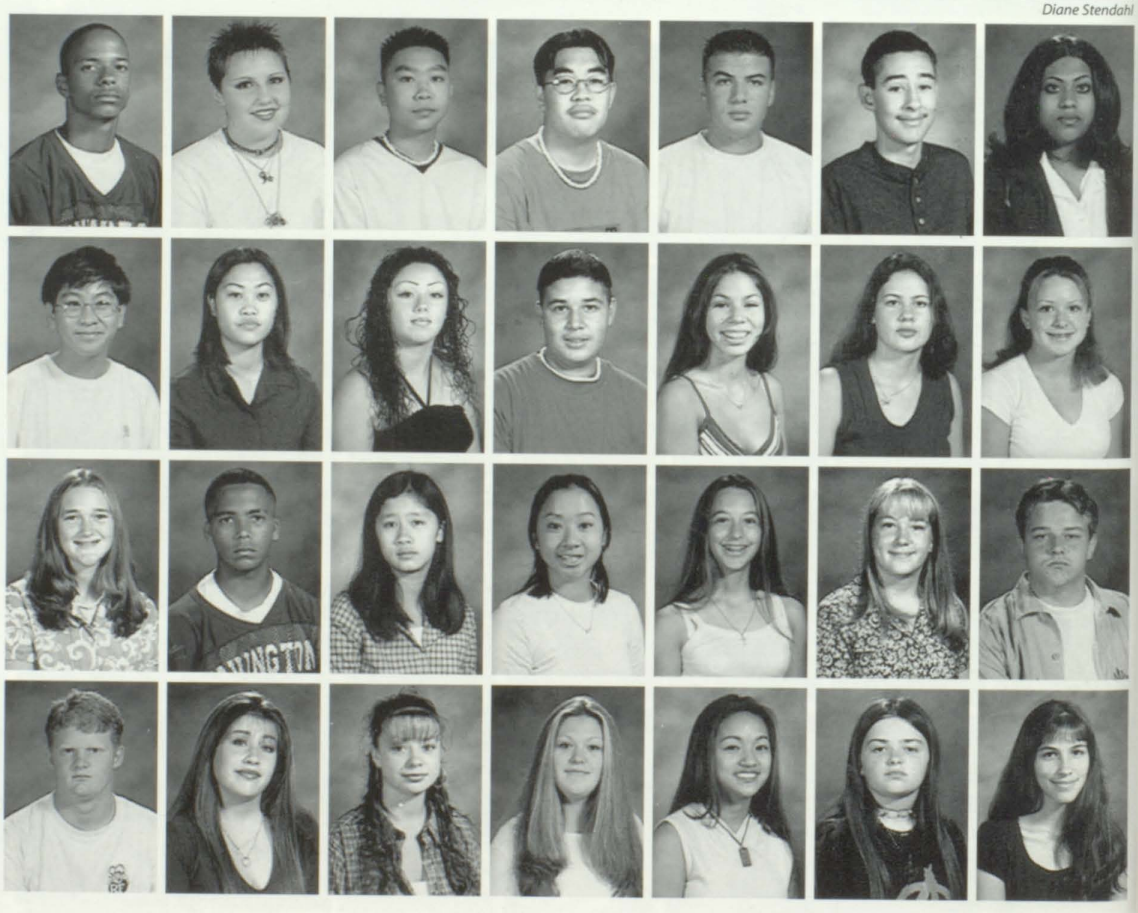
"The Internet is so big, so powerful and pointless that for some people, it is a complete substitute for life." —Andrew Brown

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EVERYTHING IS A CLICK AWAY

WITH ADVANCEMENTS IN THE INTERNET, MANY STUDENTS ARE ABLE TO DO THINGS BEYOND JUST RESEARCH FOR SCHOOL

BY DIANE STENDAHL

The Internet has expanded to the point where students who log on all the time were no longer considered freaks and geeks. Technological advancements allowed nearly seamless communication with friends far and near, the downloading of software, and surfing the net.

Students used the Internet for several purposes. Freshman Ravi Makadia liked to spend his time chatting with friends as well as meeting new people. "One time I was talking to this guy on the Internet in a chat room and later he turned out to be in my English class. He knew who I was for a couple weeks and finally told me it was him. I felt really stupid after I found out."

Shopping online was a pain. You would order one thing and receive a different thing in the mail. This could be a problem when giving a gift to your mother on Christmas Day. "I wanted to give my mother a bouquet of flowers for Christmas, but instead got packets of seeds. The advertisement on the Net showed the flowers and didn't say they were seeds, so I ended up returning them with no gift for my mother," said sophomore Nabiha Tariq.

E-mails were fun to receive from welcoming friends, but freshman Bree Turpin received one thing in the mail that she would soon not forget. "One night I was checking my e-mail and opened up a letter from an anonymous person. I thought it was an advertisement or something and it turned out to be a virus. My computer crashed and when I tried to restart it, all my programs and files were deleted. It took over three days to reinstall all the programs."

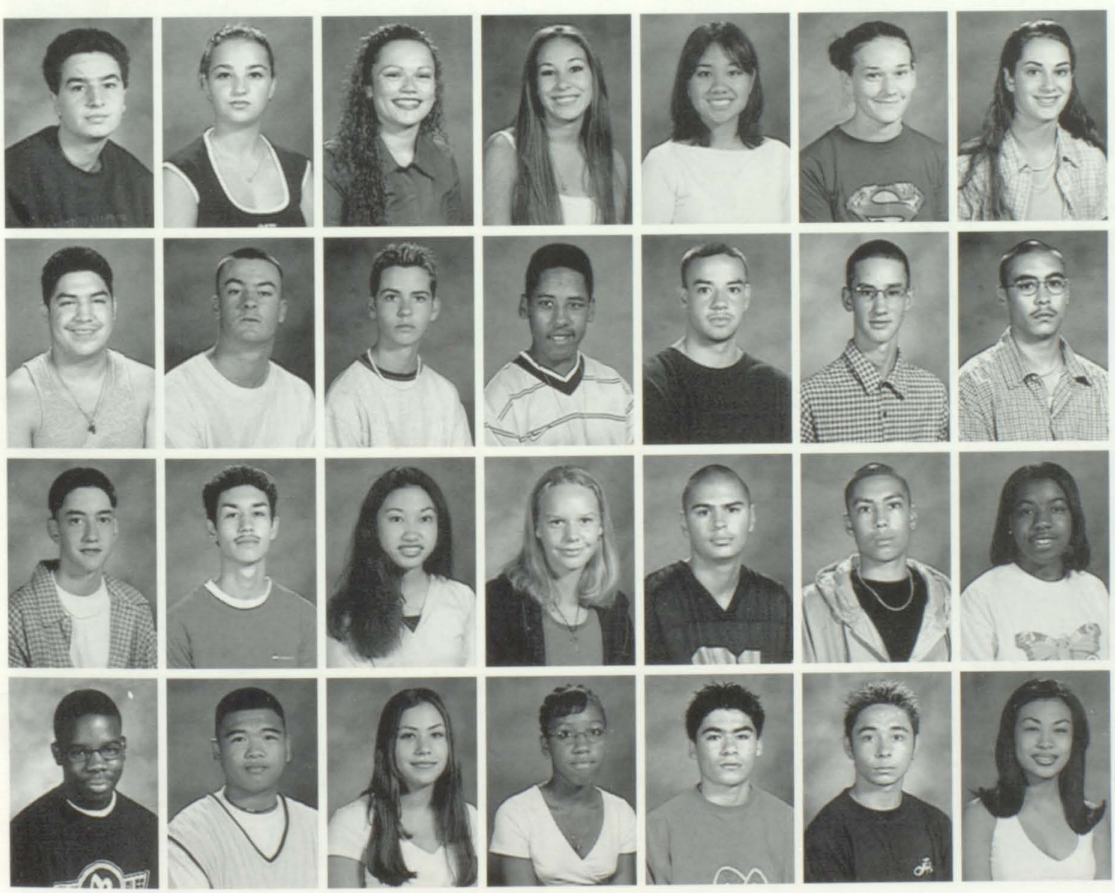
With the many problems people faced daily, there was always at least one person to talk to. Junior Clifton Der Bing remembered the time he had helped this person with family matters through e-mails. "This girl had a lot of problems with her family and really wanted to run away. But I told her that things would be looking up later and they did. So, she ended up communicating to her parents more, and later had a better relationship with her dad."

Upon entering the Millennium, students came to the realization that the Internet was here to stay.

ON THE INTERNET, CLIFTON Der Bing decides to chat with friends and neighbors. This was one way to kick back and give friendly advice to those in need.



Diane Stendahl



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"The 'Net' is a waste of time, and that's exactly what's right about it."
——William Gibson

YOU PASSED THE DRIVING TEST?

THIS MAY NOT BE THE INDY 500, BUT THE DRIVING STYLES OF STUDENTS PROVE OTHERWISE

BY JESSICA NEUNZIG

Vroom-vroom, honk-honk, beep-beep! These were some of the sounds emerging everyday from the school parking lot. As juniors and sophomores were just beginning to drive, sometimes the feeling of independence let them run a little wild.

New drivers were not quite familiar with safe driving. Being recent drivers' license holders, they were affected by the new law that restricted them from driving with other minors in the car and driving after midnight. Junior Aaron Borba recently got his license, and he did not think that the new law was fair. He said that it took him up to 10 minutes just to get out of the parking lot. "The parking lot is just too crowded."

Sometimes the parking lot was hazardous to pedestrians. Sophomore Richard McGuire was a victim while walking home. As he walked through the parking lot, he was hit by the side view mirror of a car. He said, "I was just walking, and all of a sudden I felt something hit me." He was hit from behind by a car that hit his arm. He wasn't hurt, but it was really scary. The guy who hit him just drove off, and didn't even apologize.

Some of the chaos in the parking lot was due to new drivers like junior Ashley Hamic. Her aunt let her borrow her car to go to school, but it was a stick shift, which she was not experienced in driving it. She was going toward the back parking lot, when the car died in between the front and back lots. "I was so embarrassed," she said. She couldn't get it started again, and so she just rolled up her window and turned up her radio, while all the cars behind her honked.

Parking lot madness led to parking lot lines. Junior Jocelyn Knight said, "It can take between five to 10 minutes just to get out of the parking lot." She claimed that the parking lot is just too crowded and small for all the drivers. Aaron agreed, "One time I was waiting to get out of the parking lot, and someone rear ended my car." Luckily, he wasn't hurt.

Student drivers had to learn to be more careful. Unfortunately, some had to learn the hard way.

A VIEW OF THE BACK PARKING lot shows the inexperience of drivers. The cars are full of dents and dings to prove this point.



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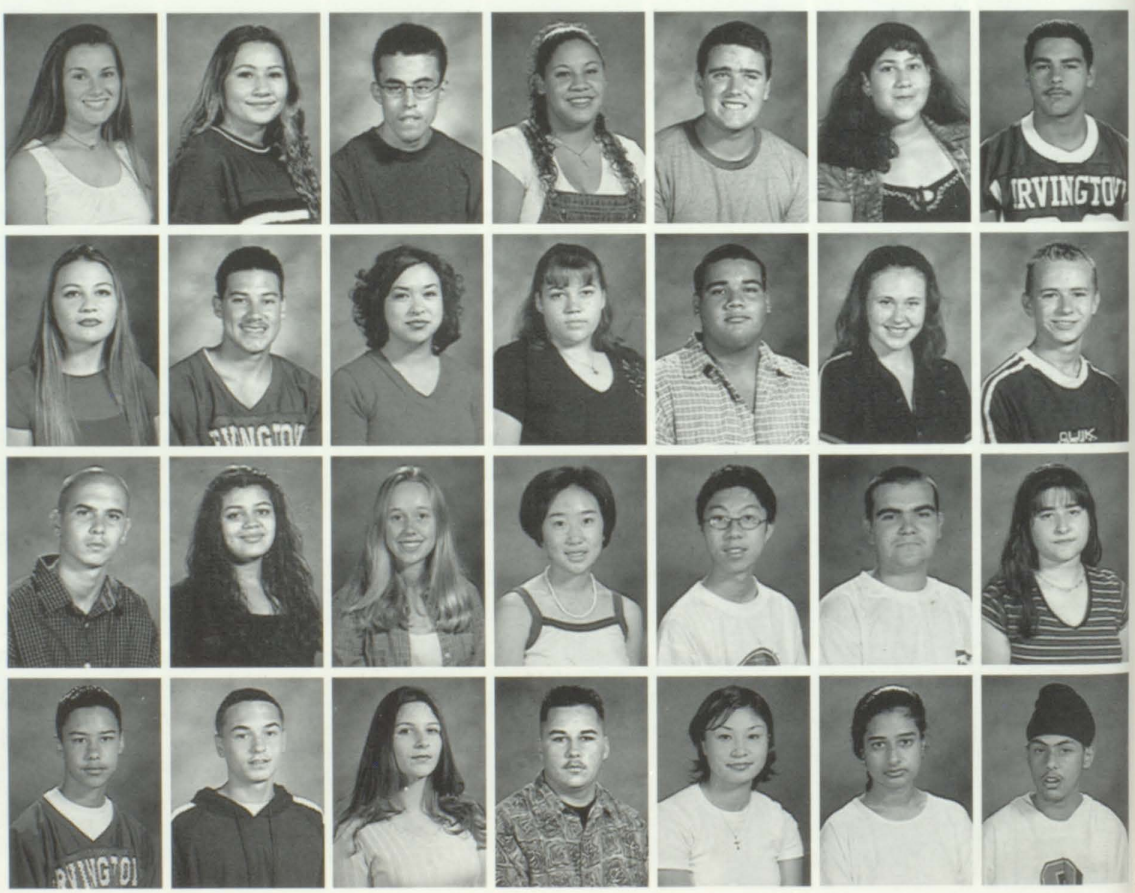
"Driving is a spectacular form of amnesia. Everything is to be discovered. Everything is to be obliterated." —Jean Baudrillard, sociologist

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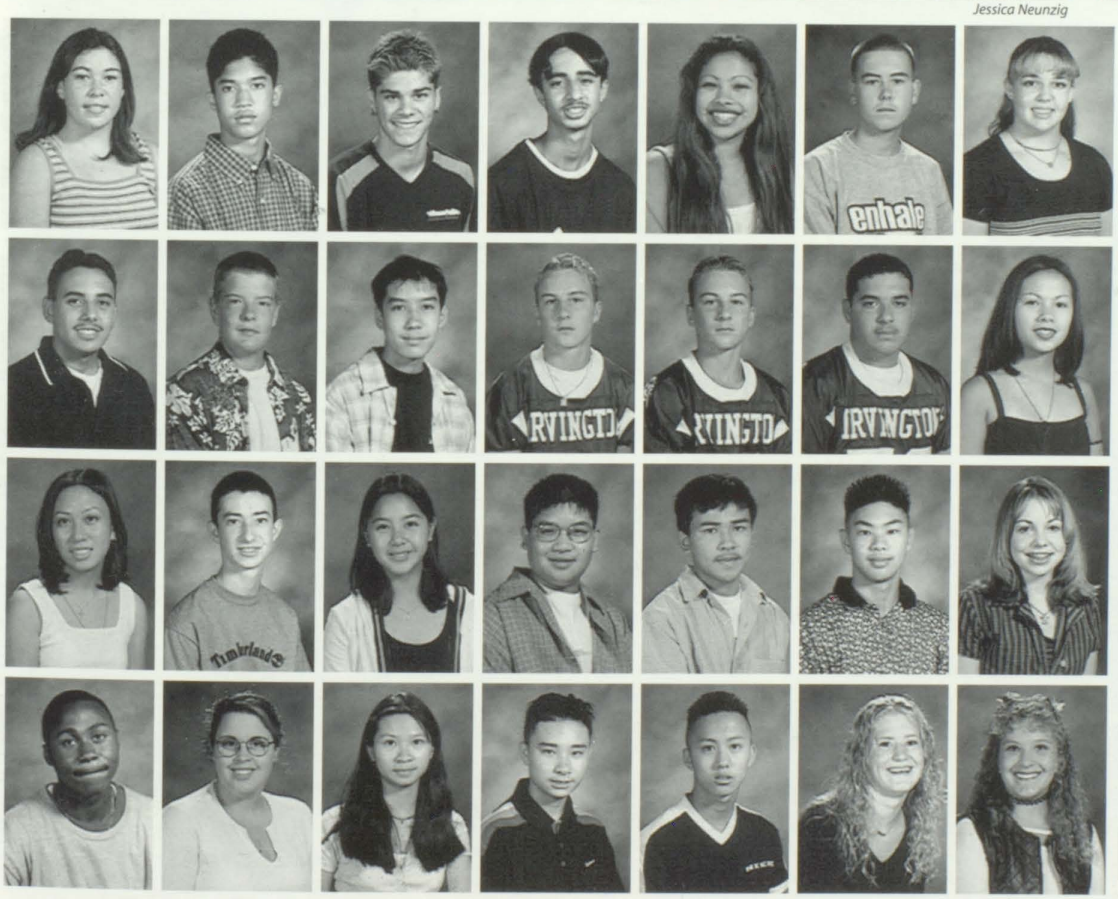
Jessica Neunzig

CONTENT IN DRIVING HER own car, Ashley Hamic gets in her Acura Legend to leave school. She decided to just stick with an automatic transmission car to avoid having to shift gears herself.

CONTEMPLATING ON WHETHER to leave quickly or wait until the traffic in the parking lot dies down, Aaron Borba sits in his friend's Astrovan. He still gets nervous about being rear-ended again.



Jessica Neunzig



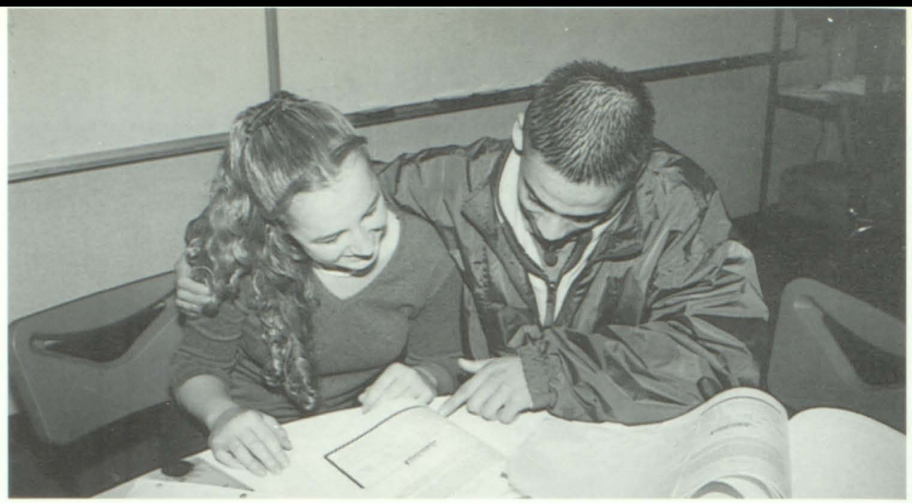
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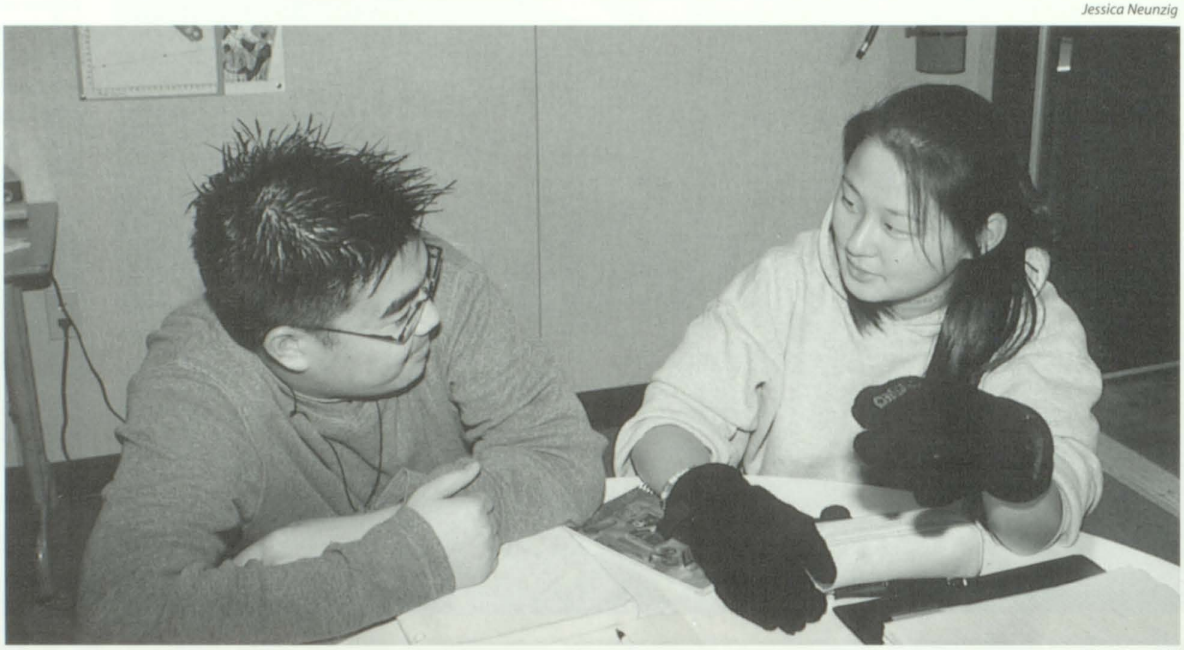
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"Liberty means responsibility. That is why most men dread it."
—George Bernard Shaw, playwright



In a classroom, Marissa Nichols feels more comfortable chatting away with Duane House. Duane better stay alert because Marissa's dad was notorious for chasing off prospective boyfriends.

Jessica Neunzig



During fifth period, Gerstein Padua tries to find out a little more about Teresa Bae in a friendly conversation. Learning about each other helps build a strong bond that makes a relationship work.

Diane Stendahl

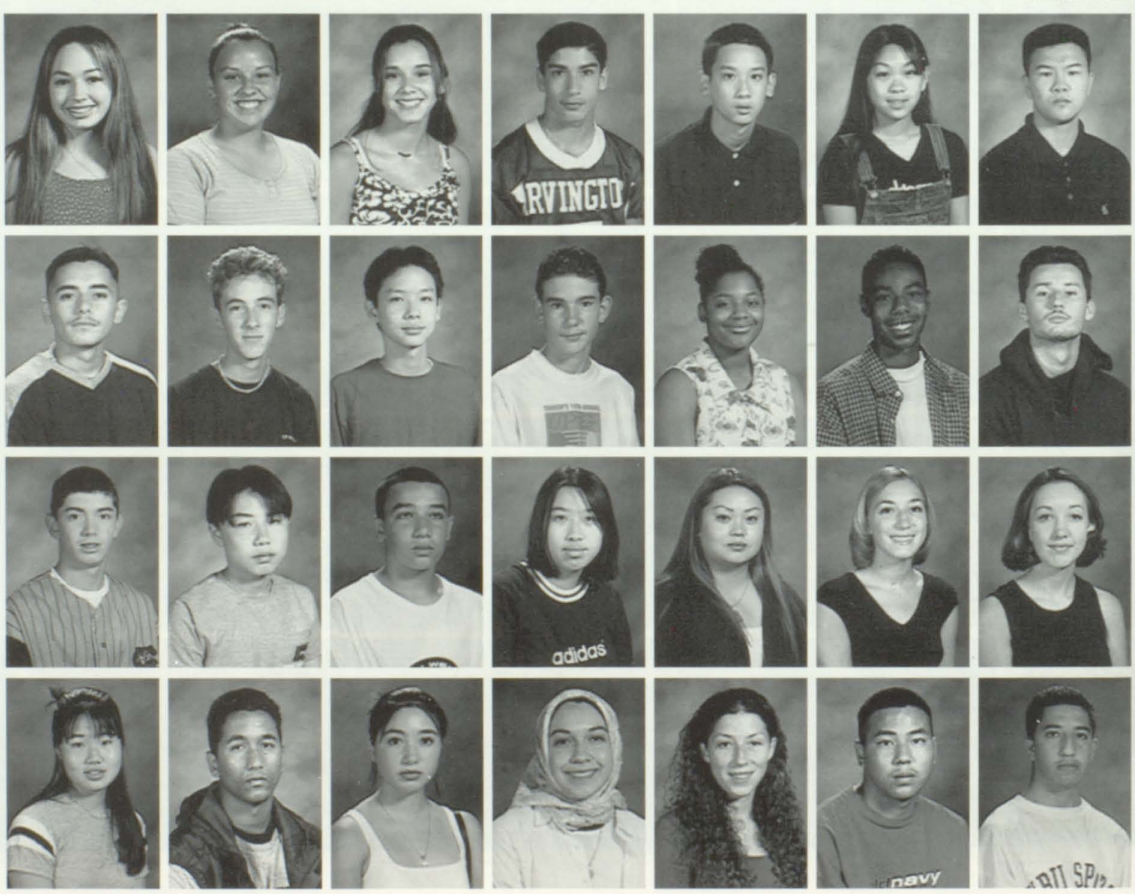
"Love can sometimes be magic. But magic can sometimes... just be an illusion." —Javan

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LOVE HURTS... WHAT GIVES?

DATING HAS ITS GOOD POINTS AND BAD POINTS, SOMETIMES ALL IN THE SAME NIGHT

BY DIANE STENDAHL AND JESSICA BONHAM

Besides the hectic student life at Irvington, some students chose to squeeze in their schedules the most stressful and emotional priority of all: dating. Dating brought to the students a sense of excitement outside of school, which was considered one of the least romantic places on earth.

Atiquallah Nabizada, junior, was no freshman to the art of dating. He has learned that trust was one of the most important things in a relationship. "I had this girlfriend that I dated for a few months, and I thought I really liked her, but it turned out that she didn't like me and was seeing two other guys at the same time," he said.

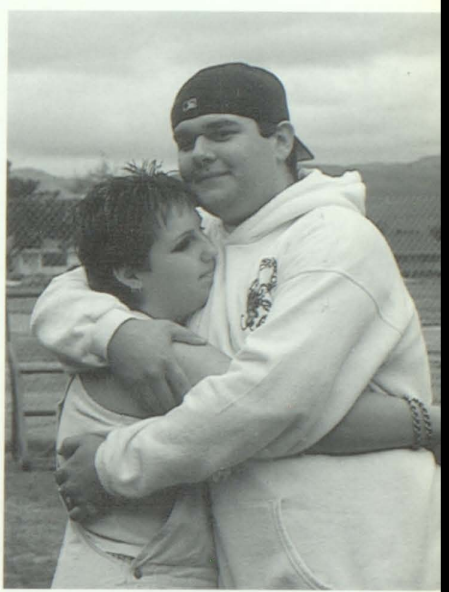
As if it could not get any worse, junior Kellen Max's relationship took a turn for the worse. It later ended up that it was not really him. "One of my girlfriends left me for another woman. No joke," said Kellen.

Sophomore Clayton Palmberg had quite a story to tell the next day to his friends. It was an experience that he would soon not forget. "One night I went out with this girl on a movie/dinner date. At first the girl seemed really nice, but later turned out to be a real jerk. We first went to go see *Baseketball* and it turned out that my nachos got closer to her than me. To top that off, I lost my wallet at the movie theater and did not realize it until we ate dinner. She ended up paying for the whole meal and then had a real fit about it. I never called her after that," said Clayton.

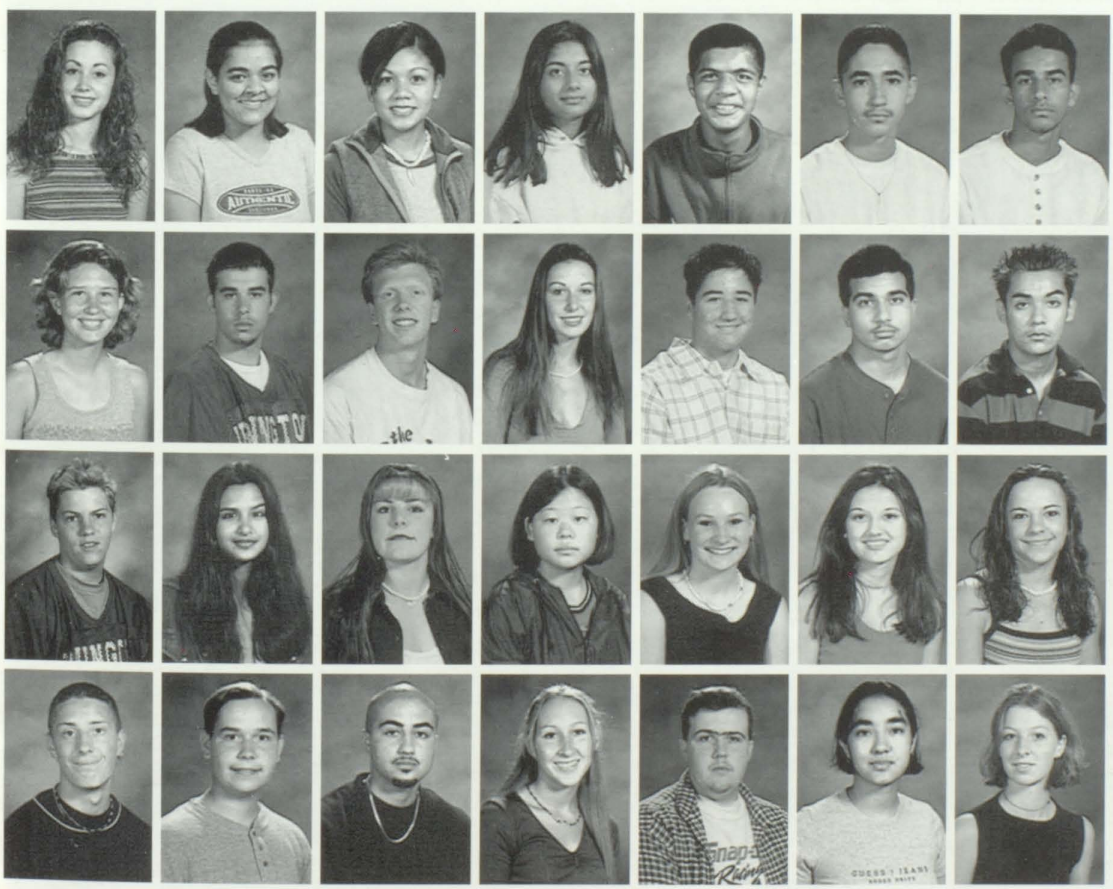
Be thankful for not being sophomore Marissa Nichols because her father and uncle decided to give her date one of the most important lessons of love: Fathers will always be overprotective of their daughters. "This guy decided to pick me up in front of my house while my dad and uncle were at home. Then my dad opened the door and told him to come in. Later they sarcastically bullied him by warning him to bring me home early or else. From then on my date and I were extremely uncomfortable, and I had the worst night of my life," she said.

Dating experiences were harsh, but more often than not, they usually turned out for the best. These dating disasters, however, would soon not be forgotten.

LEARNING A LOT THROUGH previous relationships, Kellen Max has got it beat. Hugging his girlfriend Sondra Owen, Kellen has been in a relationship with her for more than one year and three months.



Diane Stendahl



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Eva Bichmann II

"Love does not begin and end the way we seem to think it does. Love is a battle, love is a war; love is growing up." — James Baldwin, novelist

THINGS THAT CHANGED THE WORLD

INVENTIONS HAVE DRASTICALLY CHANGED THE WORLD AND THE WAY STUDENTS LIVE THEIR LIVES TODAY

BY STEWART MERRELL

People do not often think of the history of the things they use, but someone somewhere had to have made an invention that led to another and another and then bang, you have something like a computer. Some inventions that students thought have changed the world over the last millennium ranged from the printing press to the TV.

Before the mid 1450s, books were copied by hand and, therefore, had errors. Sophomore Sara Fulk said that the printing press changed the world. The first metal movable type was invented by Guttenberg in the mid 1450s and was intended to print Bibles. According to Sara, "It [the printing press] also allowed books to be made faster." The printing press led to the possibility of the common person learning to read.

Something that was commonplace today was the computer which was invented after WWII. Junior Matt Ritter said, "It made work better, faster, and easier for humans, and it led to other technology. It opened jobs, like at NUMMI. Computers made things easier for businesses by organizing information and calculations for accounting." Irvington High School itself had a complex network consisting of over 250 online computers.

Writing has been around for centuries, but now people correspond with others using technology. "Telecommunications changed the world," said sophomore April Pyle. "The telephone and the Internet changed the world because they allow people to talk with people around the world." Indeed, at the turn of the 19th Century, mail would take weeks or months to deliver; now e-mail arrives seconds after being sent.

The TV was something that changed the world of freshman Jacob Lean. "Because you wouldn't have anything to do in your spare time [without TV]," Jacob said. Jacob liked watching news shows because they allowed him to see things happening around the world or find out what the weather would be like the next day. The TV was his window to the world.

The printing press allowed Sara Fulk to read books, and the TV allowed Jacob Lean to learn about the world. Inventions made their mark on Irvington students.

MATT RITTER WORKS ON A broken computer in Valhalla. Matt was fixing the computer for Ms. Linda Jackson so she could use it for word processing.



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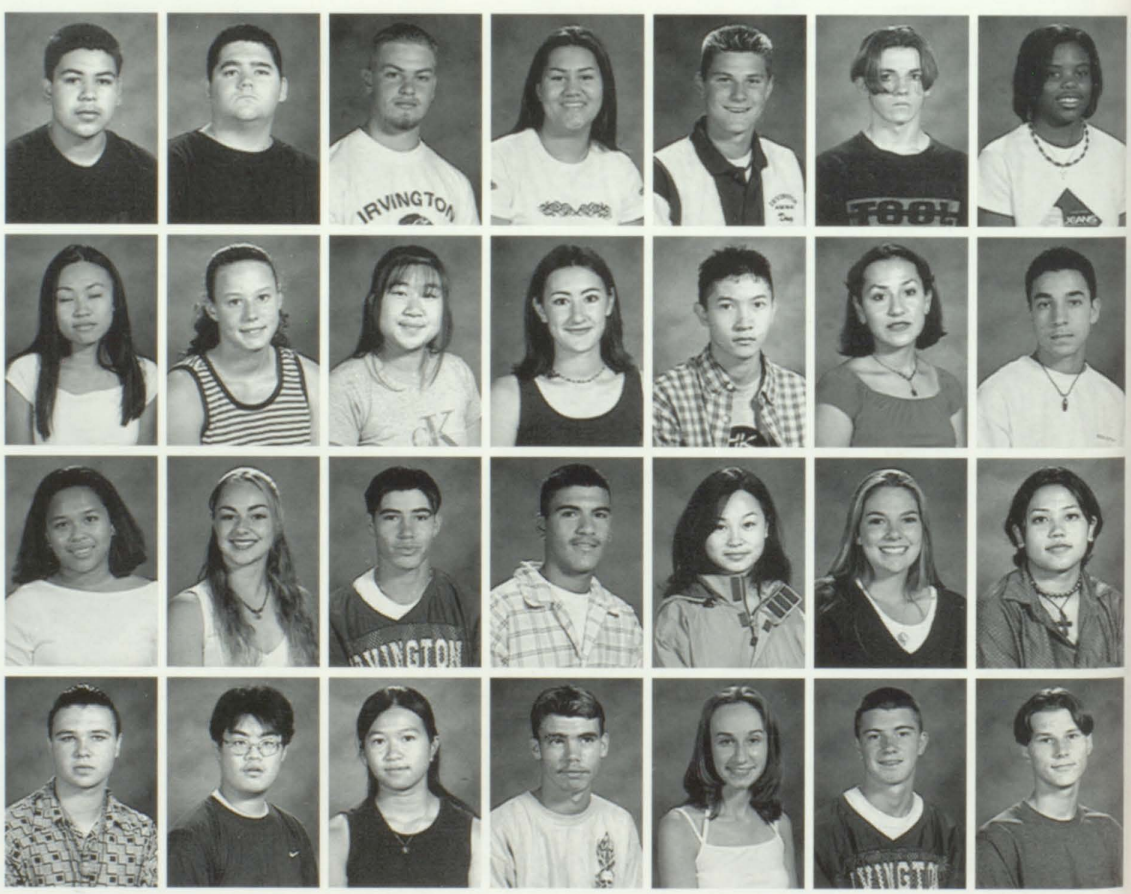
"Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic."
—Arthur C. Clarke, science fiction writer

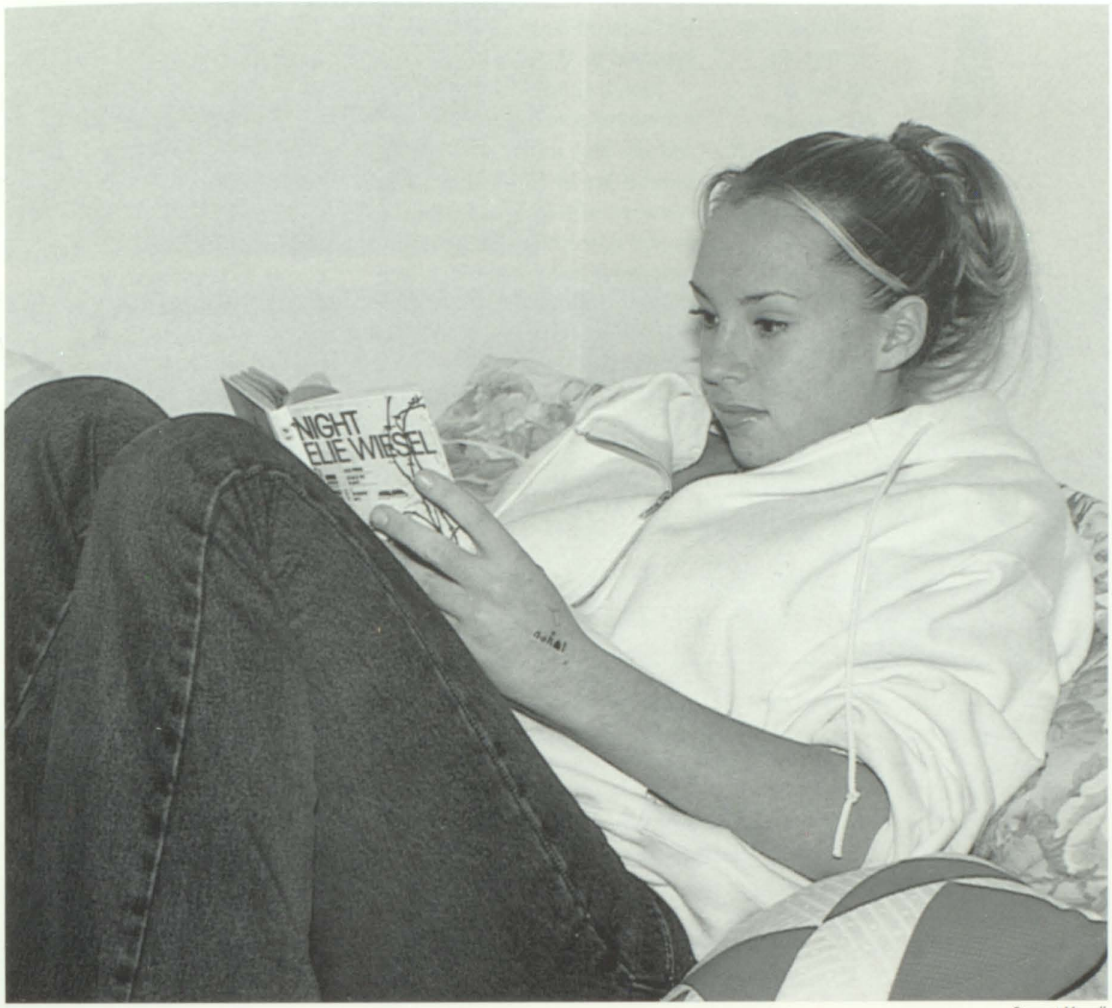
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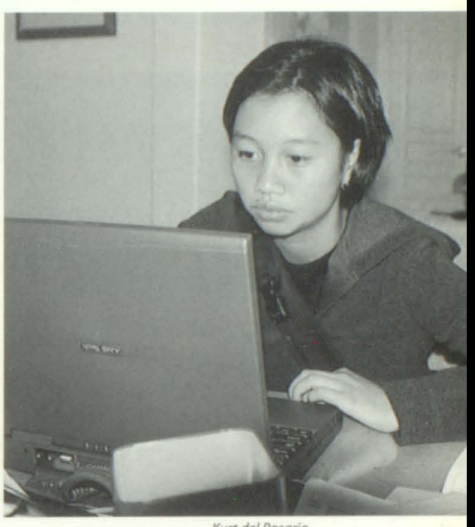




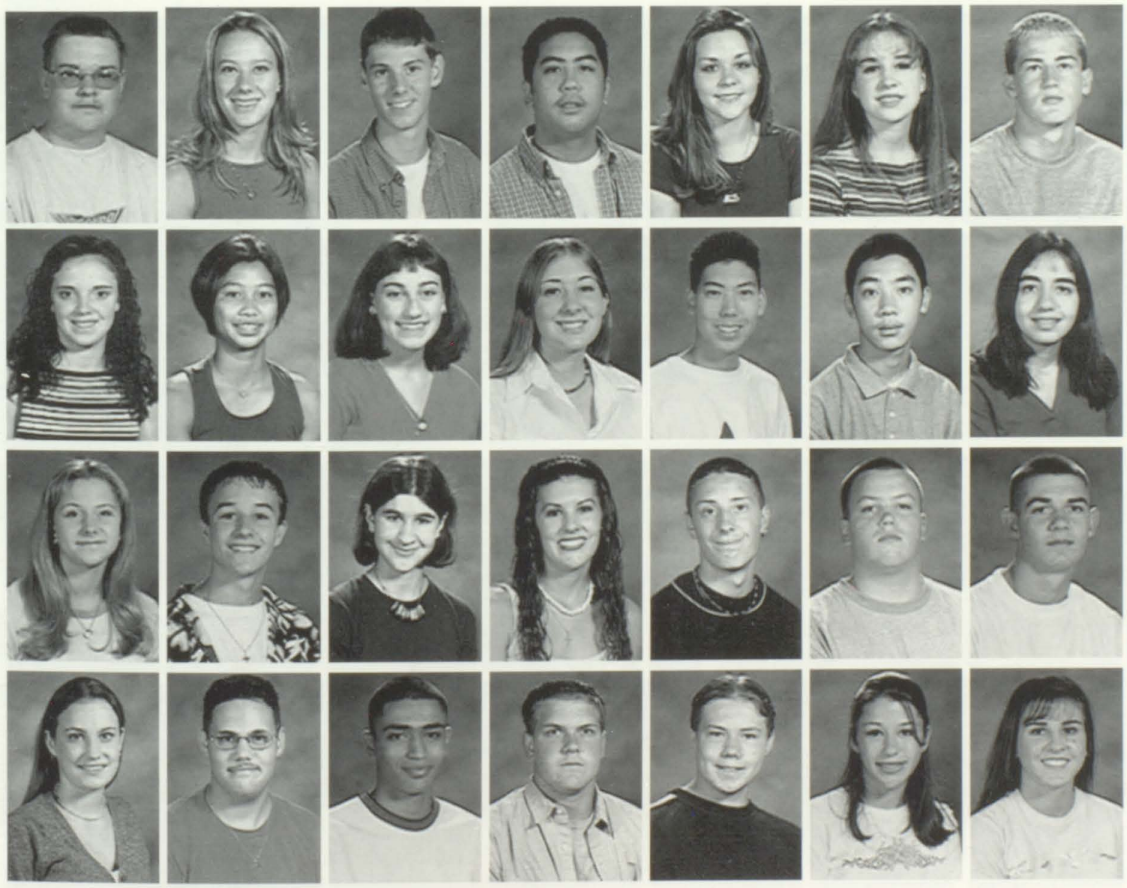
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Sara Fulk reads the book *Night* for her English class. Sara wished she had more time to read all the books she was interested in.

For her AP English 11 class, Rio del Rosario inputs her essay. Her laptop allowed her to keep track of all her work.



Kurt del Rosario



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Patrick Falvey II
Mary Figeira II
Joelle Fletcher II

"If only I had known, I should have become a watchmaker."
—Albert Einstein of his part in the making of the atomic bomb

WWW.YOUR WEBSITE HERE.COM

A NUMBER OF STUDENTS SURF THE WEB AND FIND CERTAIN SITES TO BE THEIR FAVORITES

BY JASON CHAN AND PARITA PATEL

As utilization of the Internet became an ever so common pastime in students' lives, these surfers discovered URLs that catered to their tastes. Soon these electronic publications became their favorite sites.

Cultural heritage was an important aspect in sophomore Sandy Chan's life. Her favorite website, www.asianavenue.com, was dedicated to the Asian community. The site gave her and other people the ability to create their own homepages. Sandy was able to view other peoples' homepage creations and develop ideas of her own. "I enjoy posting pictures of my friends and meeting interesting people," said Sandy. She enjoyed the Asian chat rooms provided by the website.

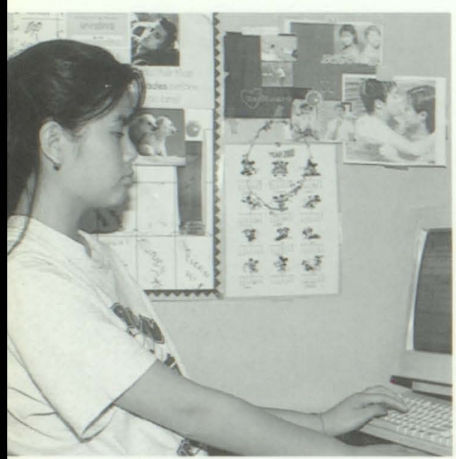
Joseph Green stumbled onto www.wired.com a few years ago and was glad to find it. Joseph's favorite site by far was literally crammed with all relevant information concerning cutting edge technology and current high tech corporate deals. The site gave Joseph insight on the direction his investments in the stock market should progress. "I think it's the greatest site on the Net," said Joseph, demonstrating how valuable the information was to him.

Ex-ups, tailwhips, and pogos were all trademark tricks of freestyle biking. Nathan Chan displayed an avid interest in flatland trick biking and high-speed professional bike racing. The freshman visited www.foxracing.com for all the newest bike equipment in their product line-up. Breakneck speeds were an accepted risk in professional racing, so professional and amateur racers alike purchased protective gear from Fox Racing.

Sophomore Jake Santos was a regular visitor of www.skratchpiklz.com, a site maintained by a deejay organization in San Francisco. The site offered a plethora of information concerning the newest deejay equipment, fresh ideas on mixing and scratching, and how the D. J. community could keep in touch with one another. Jake, also the vice-president of the Phonographix Club, incorporated much of the website material into club activities.

With the Internet continuing to expand and specialize in interests, students found new favorites to log onto.

IN HER ROOM SANDY CHAN surfs the Internet visiting www.asianavenue.com. She enjoyed viewing the homepages of Asians.



Parita Patel

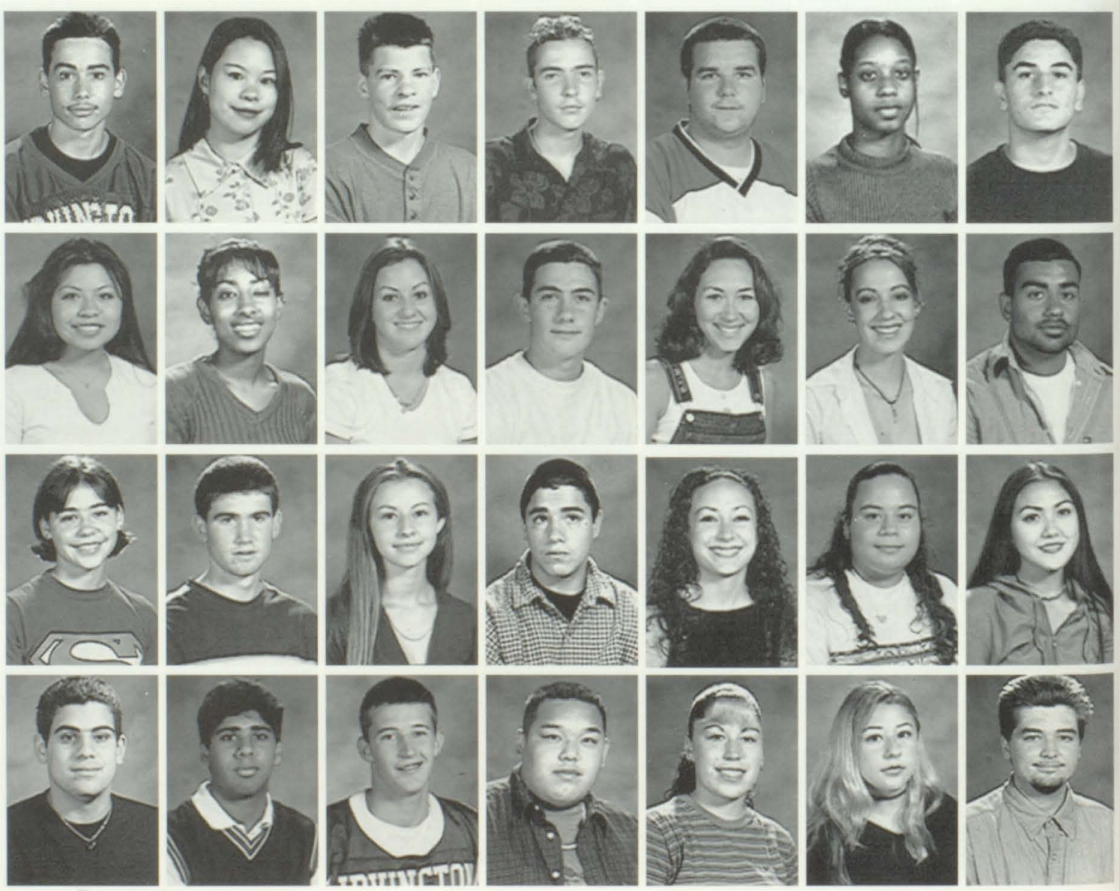
"My favorite thing about the Internet is that you get to go into the private world of real creeps without having to smell them." —Penn Jillett, magician

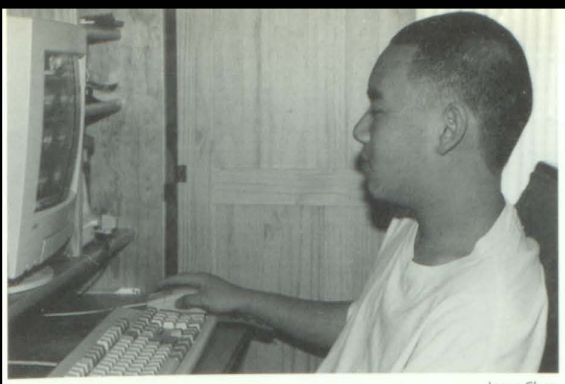
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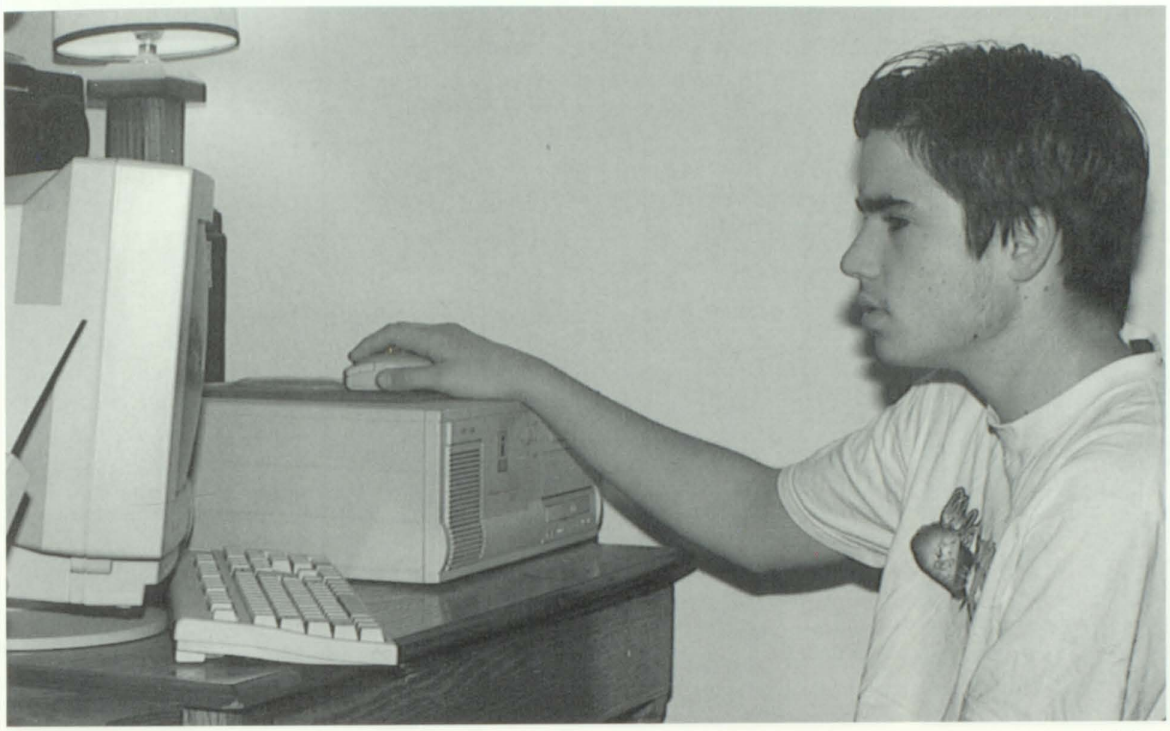
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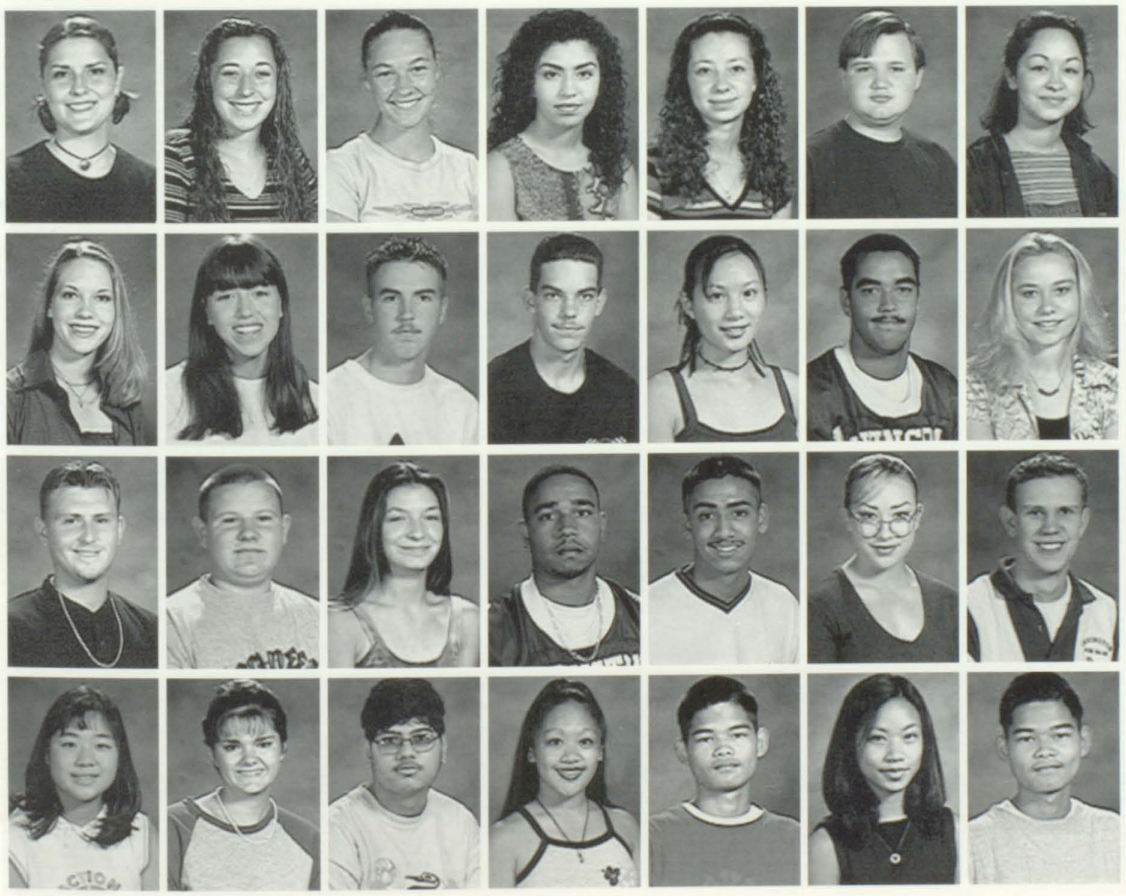
Jason Chan



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EYING A PAIR OF BIKING gloves known as *Inclines* on www.foxracing.com, Nathan Chan adds them to his wish list. Nathan's interest in biking led him to build his own bike out of freestyle and racing bike parts.

SKATER CHRISTOPHER Lundeen looks at skateboards on the computer at the website www.ccfmailorder.com. Christopher's passion is in his hobby, skateboarding.



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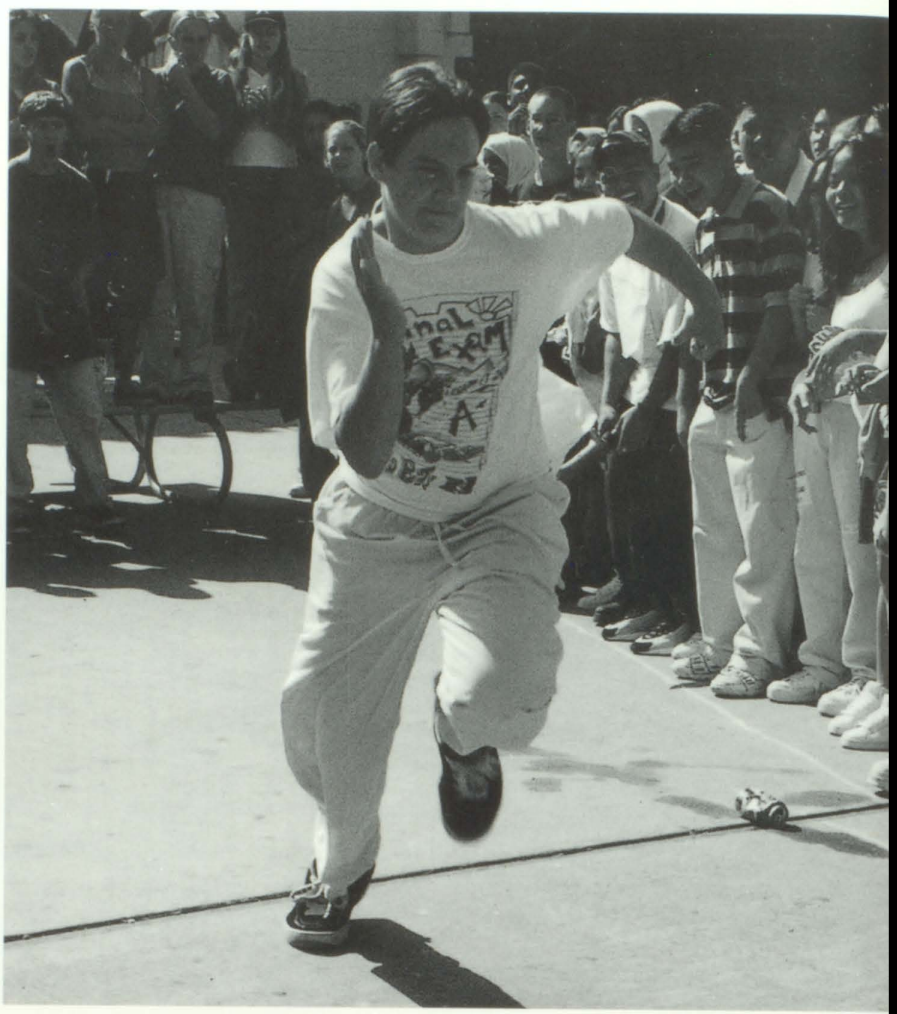
"The Internet is like a giant jellyfish. You can't step on it. You can't go around it. You've got to get through it."
—John Evans

GRANT SMITH RUNS IN A lunchtime Spirit Week game. Despite their efforts, the freshmen took 4th overall.

FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS: FRONT ROW: Khatra Ali, Spirit Coordinato; Grant Smith, Treasure; Kim Colliss, Spirit Leade; Marissa Calderon, Spirit Coordinator. **BACK ROW:** Alyssa Nimedez, Fundraiser; Elizabeth Stewart, Spirit Coordinator; Ms. Ladonna Gundling, Adviser; Victoria Hil, Vice-President; Mary Gonzalez, President; Enny Van, Secretary; Angela Reed, Treasurer; Rosanna Huang, Spirit Coordinator.



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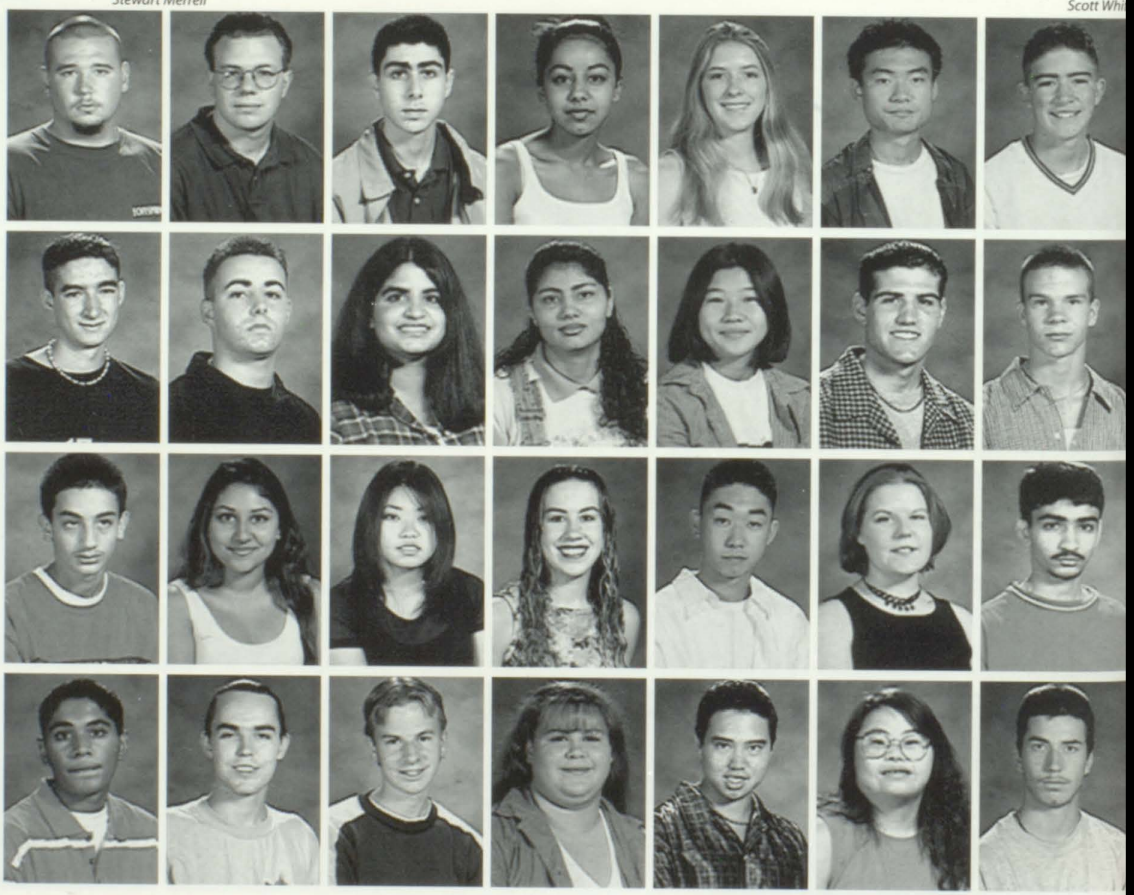
"Opportunities are usually disguised as hard work, so most people don't recognize them."
—Ann Landers, columnist

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A FROSH TIME FOR EVERYTHING

THE FRESHMEN PROVE THEY ARE UP FOR THE CHALLENGES FACING THEM BY MEETING THEM HEAD ON

BY STEWART MERRELL

Walking into a new school with different daily schedules, outcomes, and mandatory Tutorials, the Class of 2003 had much to adapt to. Not only did they have to deal with a confusing bell schedule and changes in classroooms, they had to face Spirit Week.

One month after school started, the freshmen ventured into their first Spirit Week wondering where to start. The Fairytale Freshmen brought a mythical theme to Spirit Week. "I think Spirit Week went very well. We had a lot of things accomplished and had a lot of fun," said Spirit Coordinator Kim Colliss, even though some parts may have been unfair from their point of view. The freshmen were docked points for cheating, which they strongly claimed to have not done. Although the freshmen took 4th place overall, they challenged all the other classes.

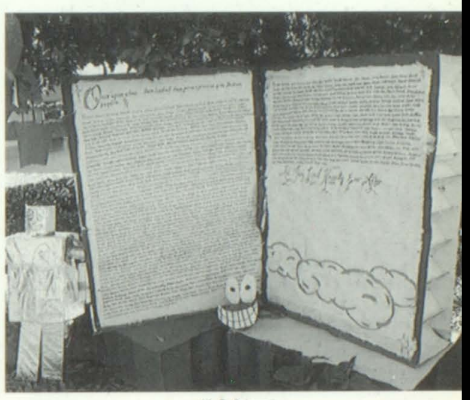
The freshmen faced three different bell schedules, mandatory Tutorials, and no Bookwarm period. Monday's early morning schedule "was a major change to wake up an hour and a half earlier," said Freshman Class President Mary Gonzalez. Coming to Irvington was a big change from junior high; however, "We are very lucky to be able to have the opportunities that we do here at Irvington," said Mary.

Getting picked on by upperclassmen was a fear to some freshmen, but not to all. "So far this year the freshmen are making a point that this is our school too, and we're here to make a difference," said Freshman Class Vice-President Victoria Hill. The freshmen seemed to settle in fairly easily. They proved that they could adapt to Irvington's way of doing things. "The Class of 2003 will be one class to remember," Victoria said.

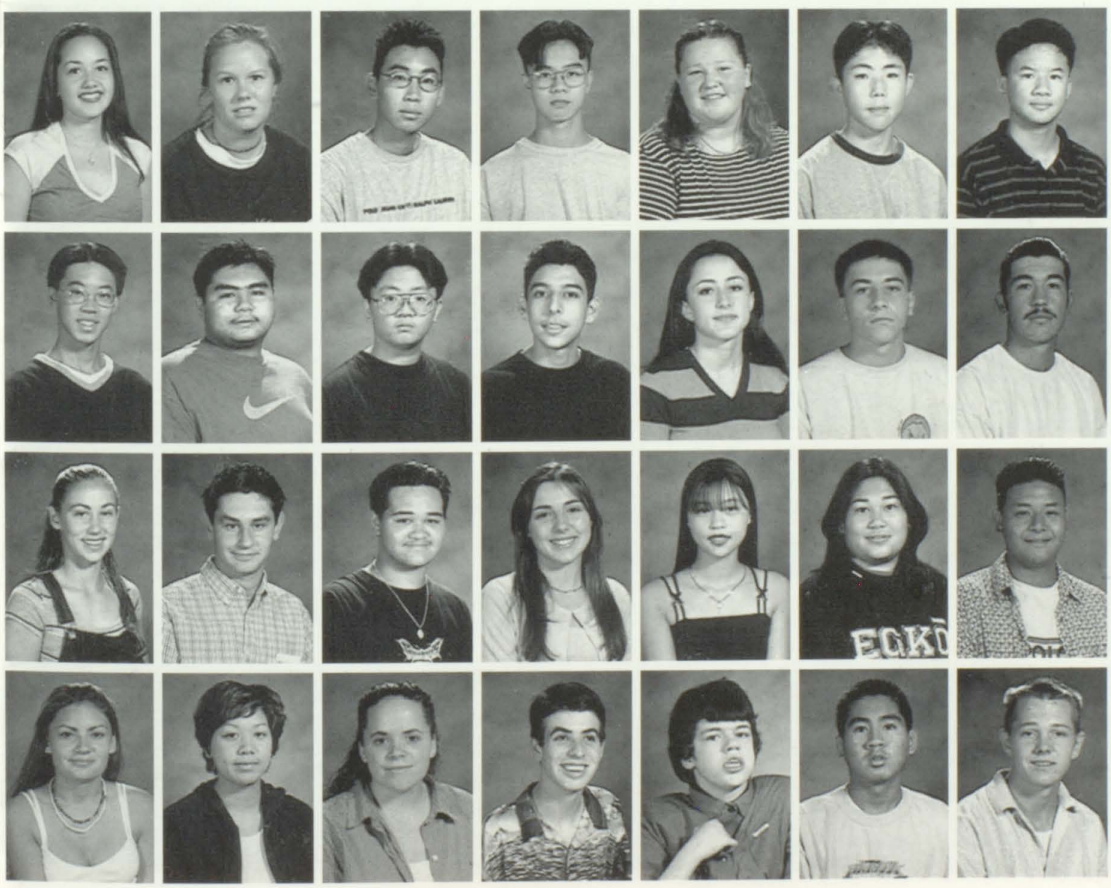
"This year's freshmen are the best. It was an honor to be an adviser to such an awesome crew. If they are this good as freshmen, imagine how incredible they will be in the future!" said Ms. Ladonna Gundling, adviser.

The Class of 2003 managed to adapt to the unusual bell schedule, tried hard in Spirit Week, and survived their first year at Irvington High School. What more could anyone ask for?

THE FRESHMAN STORY BOOK prominently displays the names of all the freshmen. The Class of 2003 spent hours working at Sandra Longoria's house.



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April Lewis II
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Kevin Lin II
Rebecca Lindsay II
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Ben Liu II

Jason Liu II
Arthur Llabres II
Arthur Loh II
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Danielle Maria II
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Jennie Martin II
Dustin Mathers II
Beth McCloskey II
Eric McCutcheon II
Matthew McDowell II

"We were merely freshmen."
—The Freshmen by The Verve Pipe

NOBODY CAN TAKE THEIR PRIDE

AFTER THE STRUGGLES OF THEIR FRESHMAN YEAR, THE SOPHOMORES VOW TO DO BETTER

BY ANN LAN

Jumping over obstacles was just an easy thing for the sophomores to do. The Class of 2002 burst into the year with a lot of excitement and eagerness. The class officers were proud of the enthusiam and devotion that they saw from their fellow classmates during Spirit Week. "Spirit Week surprised me because we did so well. It made me go 'Oh, my gosh, my class is so cool.' There was a lot of energy and hard work put into Spirit Week. It all paid off," said President Laura Clay.

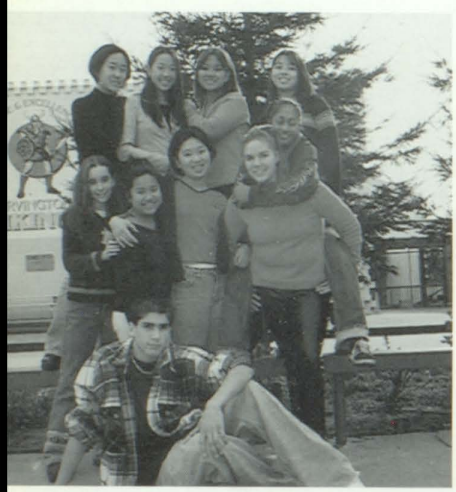
The "Sophomores on Treasure Island" walked into Spirit Week with unity, something the class had lacked last year. Mireya Morales, the dance choreographer, had fun putting together the dance. "The dance was a fun task to do. It was really cool because when we started out, there was, like, 80 people there initially. But, by the time we had to perform, there were only about 30 people left that were there to dance."

Bench building was held at Laura Clay's house. The sophomores had finished making their whole bench only to have it knocked down just a couple of hours before the Thursday showing. Because of the catastrophe, the sophomores still pulled together and made the best bench they could have made in the few remaining hours. Not only did that show unity, it also showed the school that the sophomores had faith in themselves and their fellow classmates to get the bench completed. "Compared to freshman year, the Sophomore Class itself was more prepared and we definitely showed more spirit... and next year, we will DEFINITELY win the Triple Crown. Class of 2002 rules!" said Brian Lee.

The Sophomore Class held fund-raisers to meet costs for the upcoming years. The two candy sales and a car wash not only raised money, but also were so much fun that almost half the Sophomore Class participated. The fund-raisers were a success because the class raised $350.

With their tough year almost around the corner, the sophomores had more to worry about. Erika Ramos said, "I think that with this year's success, the Class of 2002 will be more spirited next year." With this kind of attitude, they might be the best.

THE SOPHOMORE CLASS Officers. **Front row:** Zaman Virani, Council Member. **Second row:** Stefanie Hockett, Mai Dinh, Treasurer; Emory Lee, Vice-President; Laura Clay, President; Nishana Kuruppu, Fund-raising. **Back row:** Grace Shaw, Publicity; Angela Joo, Publicity; Erika Ramos, Alternate Spirit Coordinator; Virginia Huynh, Secretary. (Not Pictured: Jessica Salazar, Spirit Coordinator).



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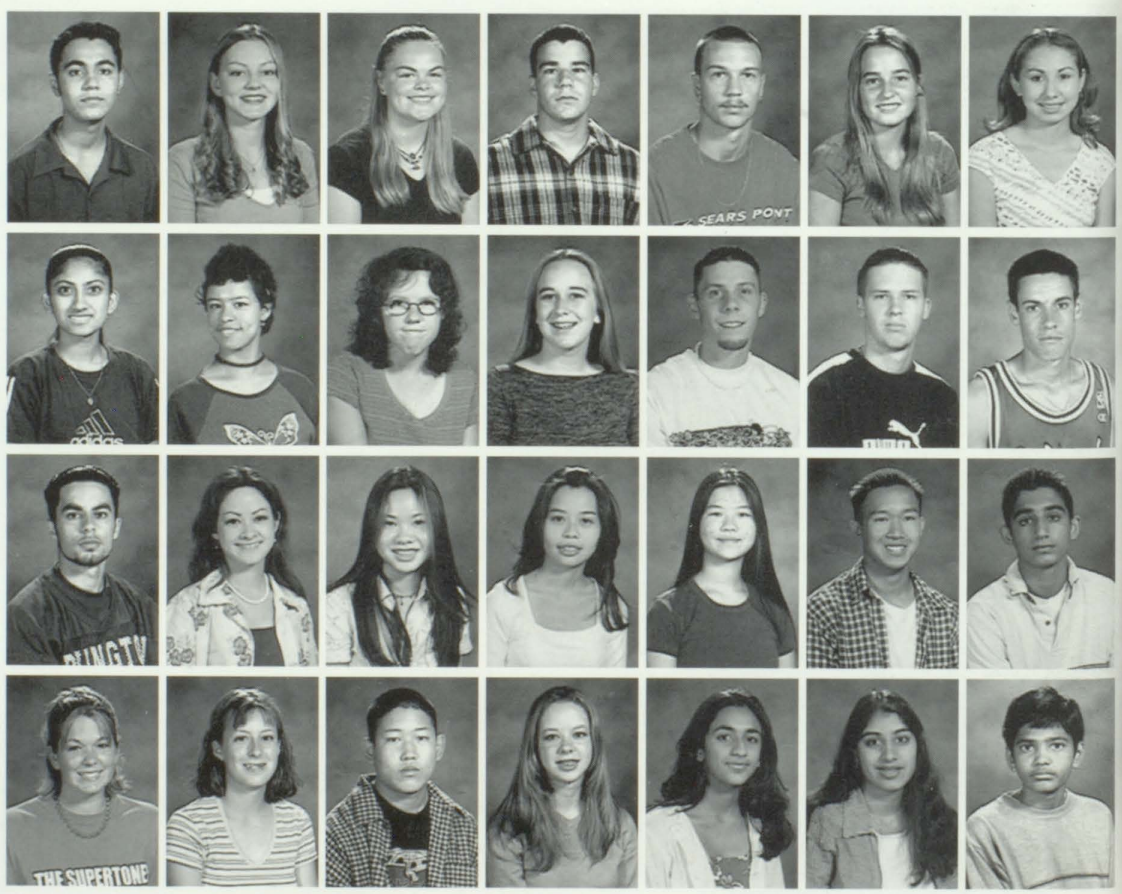
"We are not, we are not, we are not gonna to take it."
—Twisted Sisters

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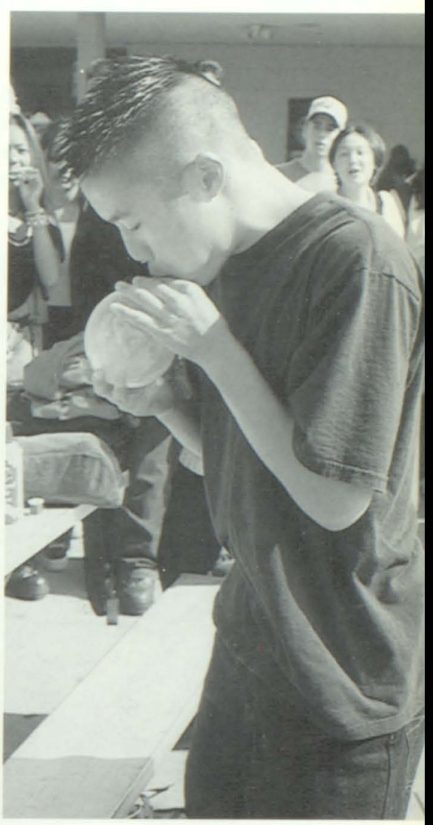


In the Hello Rally, Erica Jhinnu, Natalie Burnham, Shawna Denos, Jessica Supnet and Allison Garcia lead their class in a round of cheering. The fab five enjoyed showing the whole school their spirit by cheering their hearts out for the Sophomore Class.

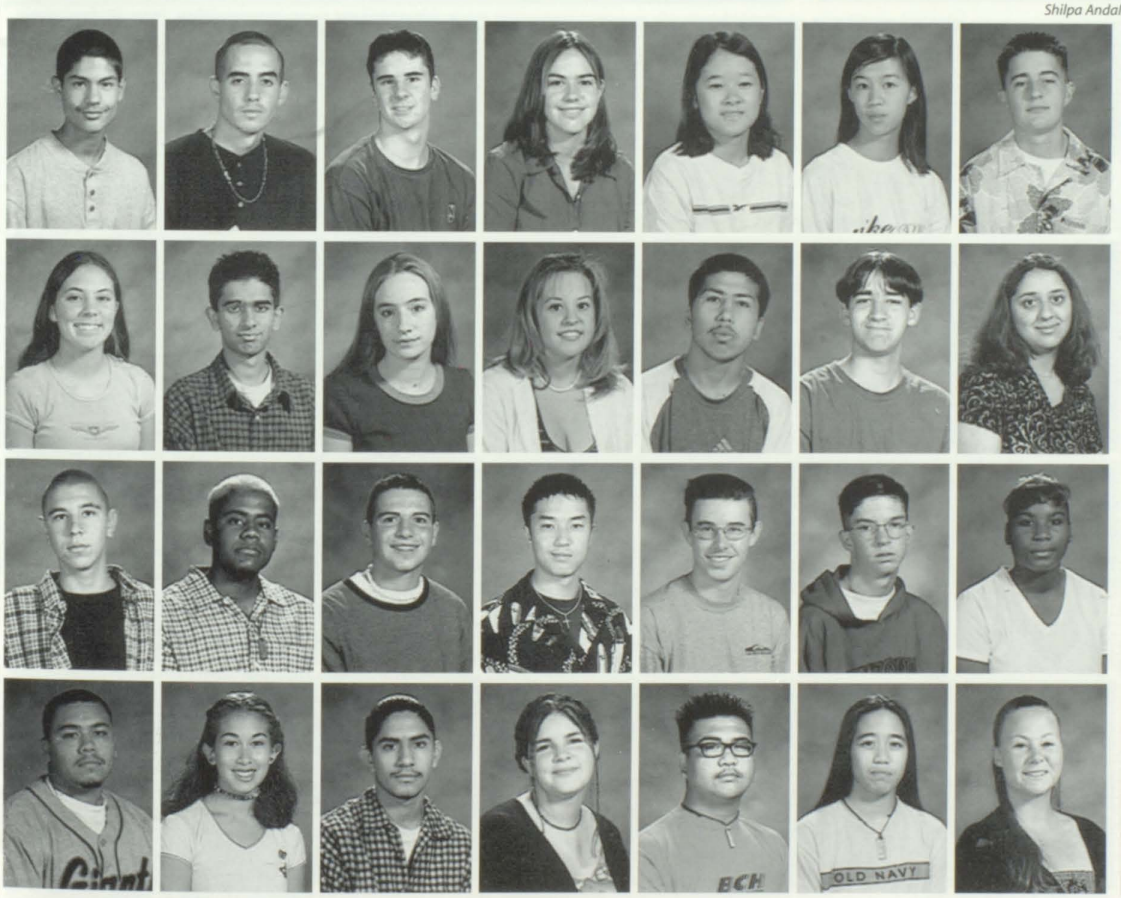
During the lunch time Spirit Week game, Adam Lau blows air into the balloon to only have it popped a few seconds later when he sat on it. The sophomores placed third overall for spirit.



Shilpa Andalkar



Aubrey St. Marie



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Kenneth Perez II
Matthew Pestana II
Kirsten Pfenning II
Carol Pham II
Thuy Pham II
Brian Pimentel II

Alison Pinto II
Arjun Pisharodi II
Jennifer Plate II
Catherine Pomeroy II
Qais Qudraty II
Mike Quinne II
Yalda Rahimi II

Ivars Rapa II
Mark Reynolds II
Boris Reznokiv II
Thomas Rhee II
Matthew Ritter II
John Robertson II
Lillian Roberts II

Hector Rodriguez II
Rebeca Rodriguez II
Shawn Rodriguez II
Tamara Romero II
Ryan Rose II
April Sablan II
Alisha Samford II

"Can't nobody hold me down... I got to keep on movin'."
—Puff Daddy and Mase

THE CLOCK JUST KEEPS TICKING

THE JAILBIRD JUNIORS COME BACK LARGE AND IN CHARGE, BUT DO NOT MAKE THE CUT

BY CHRISTINA GARCIA

Three years down and one more to go. The Junior Class officers made it through three Spirit Weeks, a number of car washes, many candy sales and they were still going strong. While other juniors were worrying about harder classes and Service Learning hours, the Junior Class Council had more to worry about: Spirit Week.

The Jailbird Juniors gave (almost) their all this year. Junior Class President Courtney Delzompo and Vice-President Veronica Caballero spent countless hours working with the Class of 2001 to get their bench ready just in time for Spirit Week. Unlike their sophomore year, the juniors did not dress up or join in at bench building. Vice-President Veronica Caballero said, "The juniors are definitely different from last year. People had other priorities and thought of Spirit Week as more of a hassle." Even though many of the Class of 2001 did not attend bench building, the ones who did attend worked hard. Vanessa Miranda said, "The papier mache police officer took a couple days to make because it wouldn't dry." Though Spirit Week did not go as planned for the disappointed juniors, the clock still kept ticking.

The Junior Class Council was busy preparing all the fund-raisers planned for the Class of 2001. Though the juniors' hands were already tied with schoolwork, they still made time to sell candy and hold car washes to raise money for their Junior Prom held at the Tech Mart. Though it was difficult to get their class to participate in the fund-raisers, the Junior Class Council raised enough money to defray costs.

Many of the class council members were in for the long haul. The vice-president was on the council since freshman year. Many of the other officers were on the council for some years as well. In addition, there were newcomers to the class council like Jennifer Hankins, Jennifer Gibson, Erica Terry, and Gisel Calvillo.

With senior year just a few months away, the weary juniors hoped to support their class more. The Class of 2001 felt optimistic about their last Spirit Week. Imee Candelario said, "I know we'll do better next year. We have to!"

MADE OUT OF PAPIER mache and paint, this officer stands guard over the juniors' bench. It took three days for the juniors to finish him.



M. E. Roman

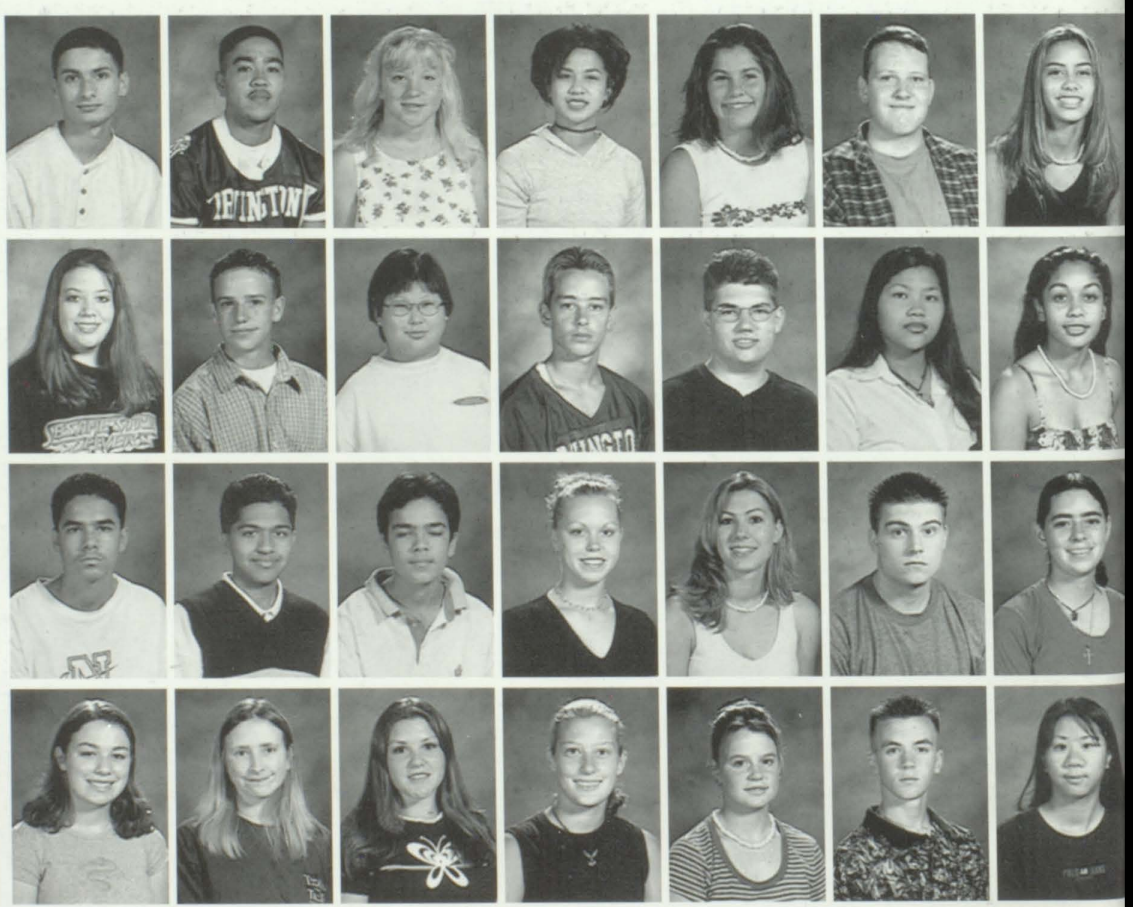
"Flashback ... warm nights ... almost left behind ... suitcases of memories. Time after time."
—Cyndi Lauper, pop singer

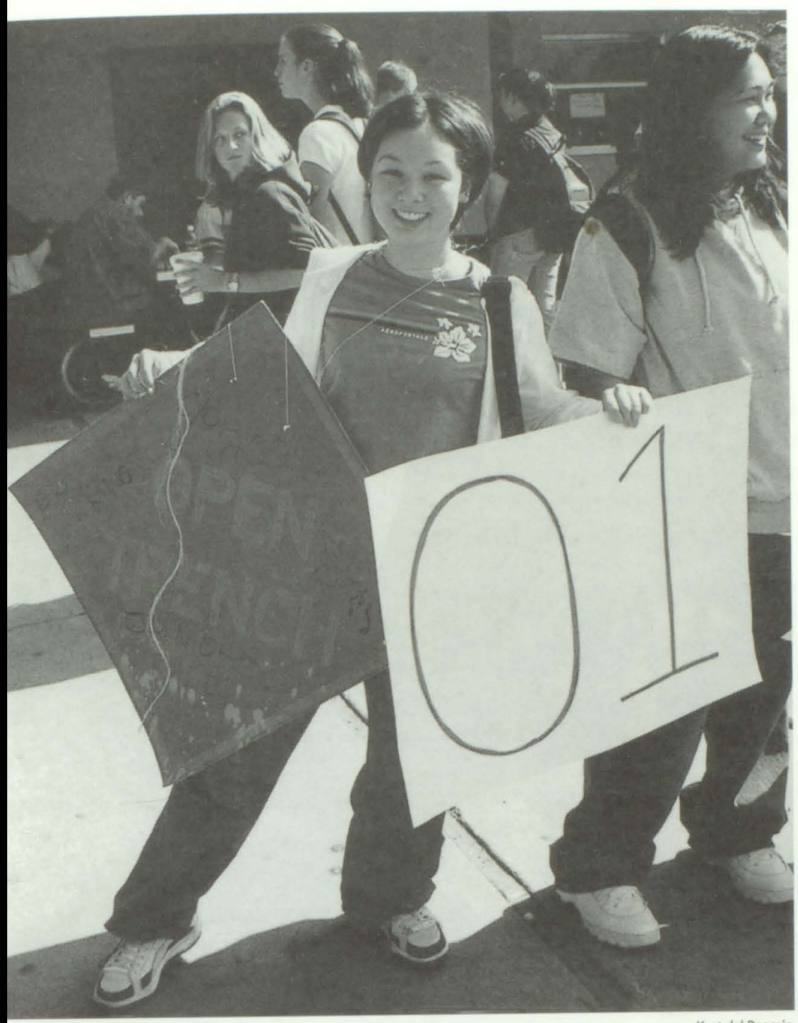
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Annie Seiden II
Stephen Seidler III
Ryan Serene II
Jennifer Sese II
Reema Sewak II

Rifaqat Shah II
Shreyans Shah II
Yasar Shah II
Krystle Sheldon II
Jennifer Shivers II
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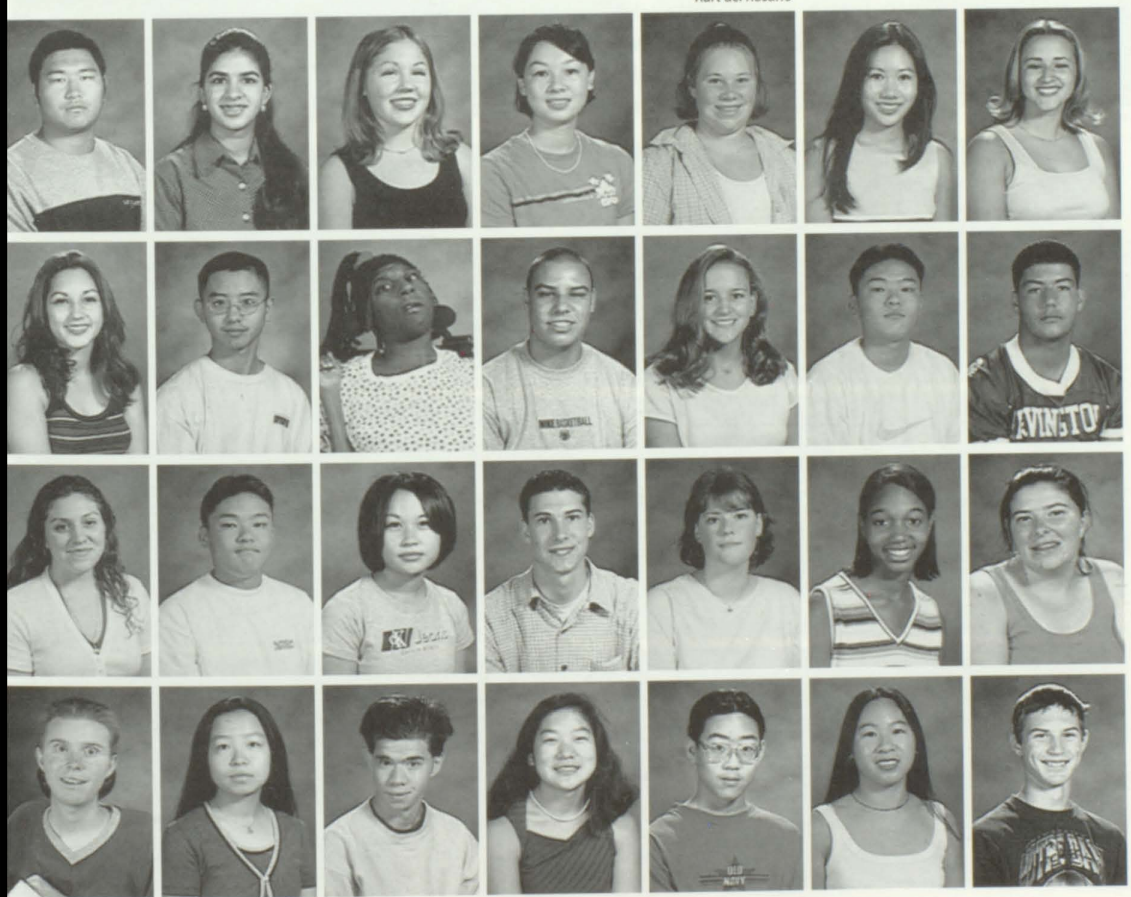
Kurt del Rosario

Erica Terry shows her spirit for her class. She was one of the many newcomers to the Junior Class Council.

The Junior Class Officers: Erica Terry, Spirit; Gisel Cavillo, Publicity; Jennifer Hankin, Publicity; Veronica Caballero, Vice-President; Robert Dort, Fund-raising;Courtney Delzompo, President; Ryan Rose, Spirit; Felicia Carlo, Treasurer; Jennifer Gibson, Secretary; Lauren Hawkins, Fund-raising.



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Kristen Teuscher II
Lisa Ton II
Dana Torres II

Michele Trujillo II
Qiyu Tu II
Tiffany Turbin II
Robert Valentine II
Kimberly Vanderwerken II
Chen Vang II
Germain Vargas II

Elena Vera II
Cheng Vang II
Pamela Villaverde II
Eric Walmer II
Kimberly Wassom II
Ladrena Williams II
Jessica Winn II

Robert Winn II
Wen Jue Wu II
Kevin Yang II
Karen Yoshimura II
Adrian Yu II
Cheri Zhou II
Christopher Zmolek II

"Time is the best teacher. Unfortunately, it kills all students!"
—Bumper Sticker

only the BEST ADVICE revealed

TEACHERS LOOK BACK IN THEIR PAST AND REVEAL THE ADVICE THAT CHANGED THEIR LIVES

BY RASHEEL DHILLON

THROUGHOUT TIME, people have always received advice. Students were usually on the receiving end and teachers on the giving end. Some teachers looked back to their student days and revealed the advice that changed their lives.

Mr. Dan Sipsy, English teacher, received his best advice from the writer Doris Kearns Godwin. It helped him change his career of 12 years to teaching. "If you choose a career for prestige or money or security and dislike going to work more days than not, it will never be worth it in the long run," said Kearns Godwin. Ms. Belinda Brackett, English teacher, said, "My father once told me to choose a career that makes you happy because you have to go to the job everyday." She realized doing something that she loved would benefit her in the long run.

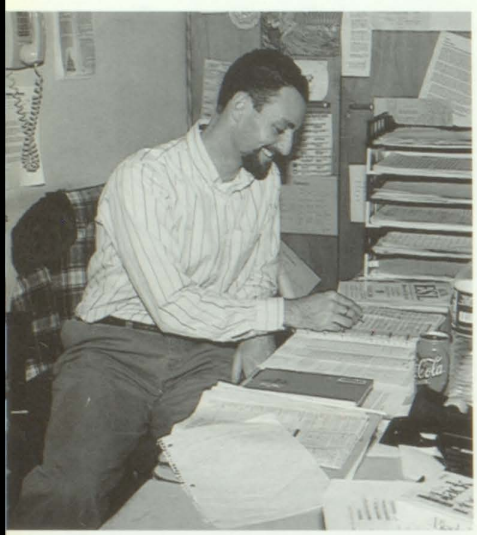
Ms. Betty Camp, French teacher, said that the best advice that she received taught her to just try her best. "My best advice was not to be a SUPER teacher." On a personal note, Mr. Dan Avery, science teacher, said that his best advice, "Marry her!" gave him a lifelong partner who was not only his best friend but confidant as well. Ms. Carol Weltmer, English teacher, said, "Choose your battles" was her best advice because it taught her that a lot of the things that a person would get upset about in education were not worth it.

Ms. Ladonna Gundling, social studies teacher, said her best advice was "To always be true to your beliefs" because it taught her to stick to her beliefs whenever she saw something wrong occur. Mr. Brian Woodward, English teacher, said that his best advice molded him into the person he is. "My father used to tell me that it's nice to be important, but it's more important to be nice," said Mr. Woodward. Mr. Erik Scherer, history teacher, also received a good message as his best advice: "To live everyday to its fullest." This taught him to appreciate and enjoy life.

English teacher Clementine Whalen"s best advice also taught her to be appreciative of the positive things in life. "At the end of every day, think of and write down one good thing [or act] you're proud of or enjoyed that day," said Ms. Whalen. This advice has helped Ms. Whalen as well as others.

Whether in their careers or social lives, the advice that teachers received changed who they were and the decisions they made. In life, good advice was a gift that kept on giving throughout the years.

MR. MARK ZELJAK, ENGLISH teacher, works on recording his attendance. Mr. Zeljak believes in the saying, "You get out of life what you put into it." This reminds him that if he works hard on things then he will receive the best results in the end.



Jessica Neunzig

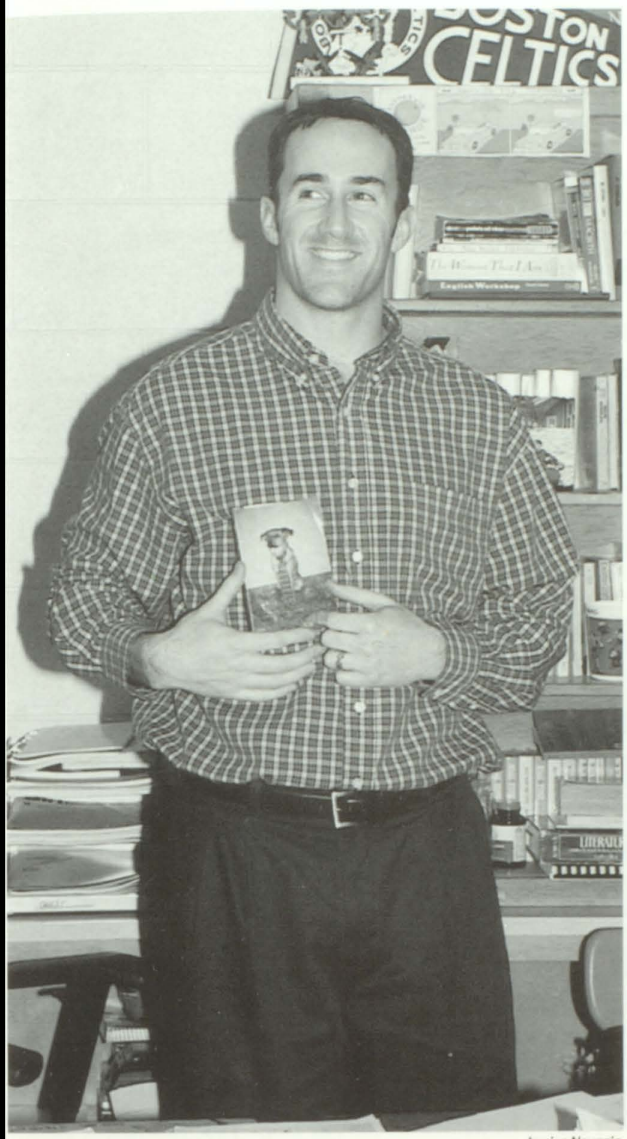
"A good laugh can be very good medicine."
— Ann Landers, advice columist

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Molly Barnes: Assistant Principal
Rebecca Beck: English 9, Humanities English
Mark Boelter: Physical Education

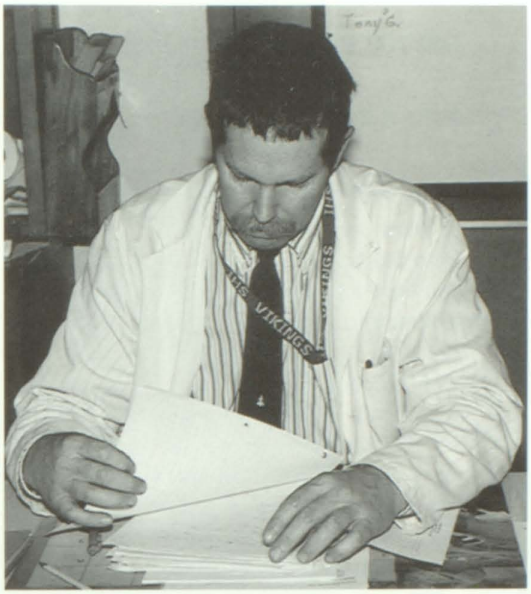
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Deborah Bowers-Ivey: World History, American Government
Belinda Brackett: English 10, English 11
Steve Brosamer: Geometry, Math A
Kelsey Burr: English 10, English 12

Beatrice Camp: French 1, AP French
Sharon Ceresa: Physiology, AP Biology, Biology
Heather Cobb: SDC Program, QUEST Coordinator
Linda Curtis: ROP Markerting and Merchandising
Robert Curtis: Honors Biology, Marine Science





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At the end of his English class, Mr. Brian Woodward shows a picture of his tie-wearing dog. He believes in the importance of being nice to people.

Mr. Dan Avery, science teacher, works diligently on grading his assignments. Mr. Avery got his best friend by following advice.

Ms. Betty Camp known for her outgoing personality, works on her computer. The advice that she received helped her to avoid burning herself out.



Francine Day: SDC Aide
Gloria de la Hoz: Custodian
Arien Delehoy: Computer Programming, Computer Information Systems, Computer Applications, Word Processing
Jeanne DiPaola: Resource Program
Benjamin Dow: English 10, American Studies, English Skills 10

Carol Duchesne: SDC Aide
Jeff Fern: Physical Education, Athletics Director
Josefina Flores: Spanish 1, 2
Sharon Flores: Secretary
Robert Franco: Counselor

Jeannette Frechou: Environmental Science, Biology
Deborah Gabeinick: School Psychologist
Lee Glover: Choir, Chamber Corale, Thor Throat, Treble Ensemble
Charles Grier: Humanities Government, BASRC Coodinator
Ladonna Gundling: U.S History, American Government & Economics

"Make a genuine effort to stay in closer touch with family and good friends." — Ann Landers, advice columnist

Talented teachers Undercover

TEACHERS HAVE TALENTS BEYOND GRADING PAPERS AND TAKING ATTENDANCE

BY JOHANNA MURRAIN

DID YOU EVER STOP TO THINK that the very teachers that spend hours at Irvington teaching you might have talents outside of the classroom? Many of the teachers did.

Most people think that you're born with talent. Others think that you learn a certain skill and then it turns into a talent with a lot of practice. It's a little bit of both.

Mr. Bob Spain, English teacher, for instance, started playing the guitar when he was six years old. Mr. Spain started playing because of his parents' influence, but later he learned to enjoy his newfound talent. He played in high school and college bands.

It might be a surprise that Ms. Kim Parker, art teacher, has a singing talent. She started singing in sixth grade when she played in the musical *Annie*. She always seemed to enjoy singing. Over the summer she would perform in musicals. She also sang in her high school choir. She struggled with both over-confidence and stage fright. "That, to an extent, you can rely on your God-given talent, but there is always room for improvement," Ms. Parker said.

The staff even included a professional dancer, Ms. Julie Myers, Social Dance and health teacher. She started dancing six years ago to country western. Ms. Myers has competed at the professional level and has won 1st and 2nd place in competitions. "The point of dancing is to have fun doing it," she said.

If you thought football was a dangerous sport, then how about rugby? Yes, rugby. Rugby was a contact sport. Mr. Robert Curtis, science teacher, started playing rugby in 1990 because he wanted to get bloody and sweaty. Mr. Curtis was captain of his New England team.

Mr. Mark Zeljak, English teacher, was a skilled surfer. He started surfing when he was a sophomore in high school. Mr. Zeljak said that after school and on weekends he and his friends would go surfing off Santa Cruz.

Mr. Brain Woodward, English teacher, played hockey. He started playing when he was five and has been playing ever since. Mr. Woodward played hockey in high school and in college. Mr. Woodward said, "Take the time to enjoy the things you do well."

"There are two kinds of talents, man-made talent and God-given talent. With man-made talent, you have to work very hard. With God-given talent, you just touch it up once in a while," Pearl Baily, the late singer, once said. So don't always think you know your teachers. There might be more to them than you know.

IN HIS OFFICE, MR. BOB FRANCO, counselor, prepares to meet with a student. A former art teacher, Mr. Franco is known for his illustrations.



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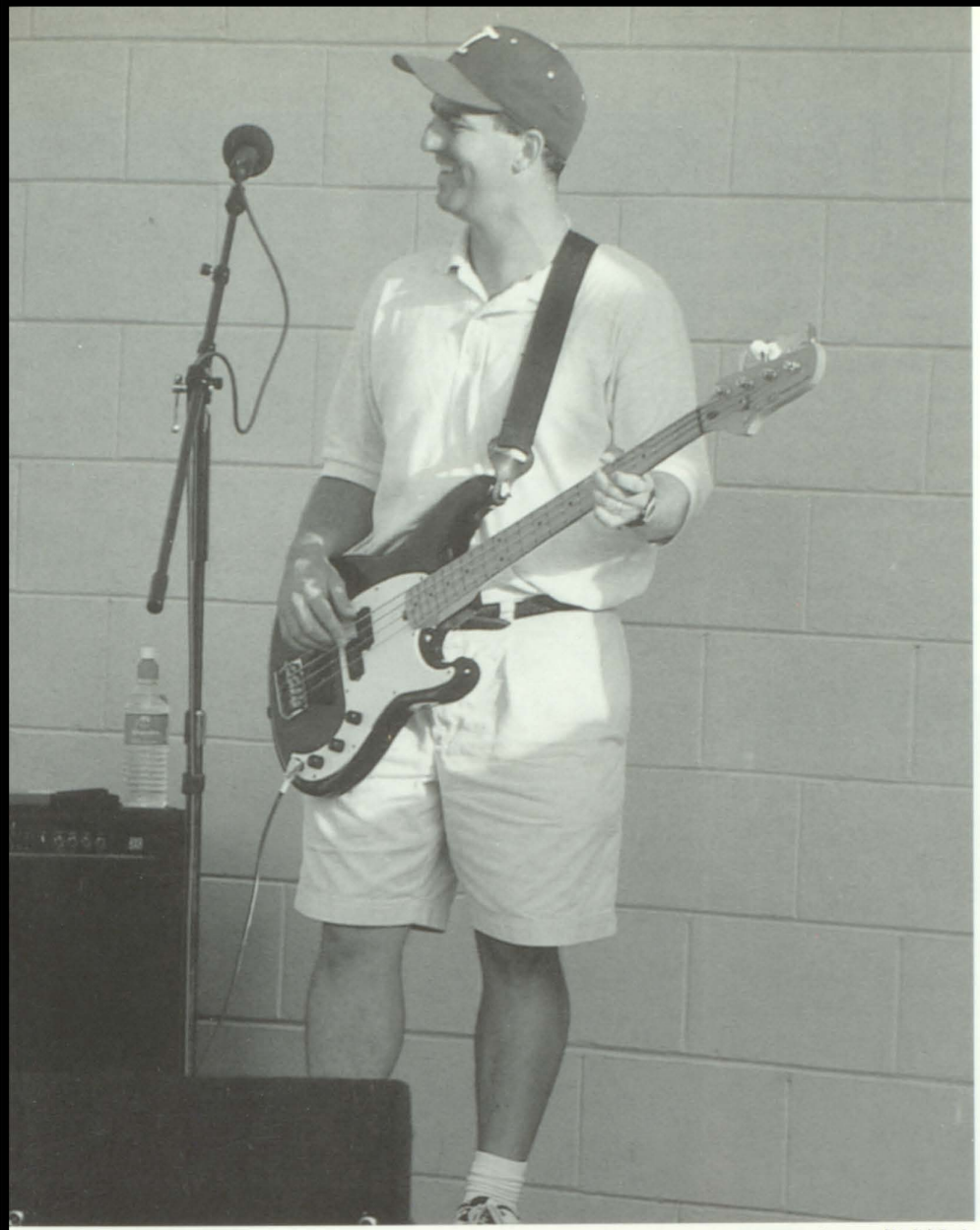
"No man can discover his own talents."
—Brendan Francis

Kathy Gygax: Secretary
Ann Hankin: Registar
Marilyn Heestand: Word Processing, Computer Applications, Introduction to Business
Beth Hite: English 10, English 11 Honors, Journalism
Valerie Hodin: French 1, 2, 3, AP French

David Hoopes: World History, U.S. History Honors
Don Harmon: Woodshop
David Howell: Vice-Principal
Cathy Hoyt: Attendance Clerk
Al Huckaby: Supply Clerk

Mark Isero: American Studies, Government/Economics, We the People
Nate Ivy: Independent Study, Service Learning Coordinator
Linda Jackson: Drama 2, Advanced Drama Rehearsal & Performance, Dance
Sonia Kahali: Resource Aide
Seiji Kawamura: Chemistry Honors, Physics





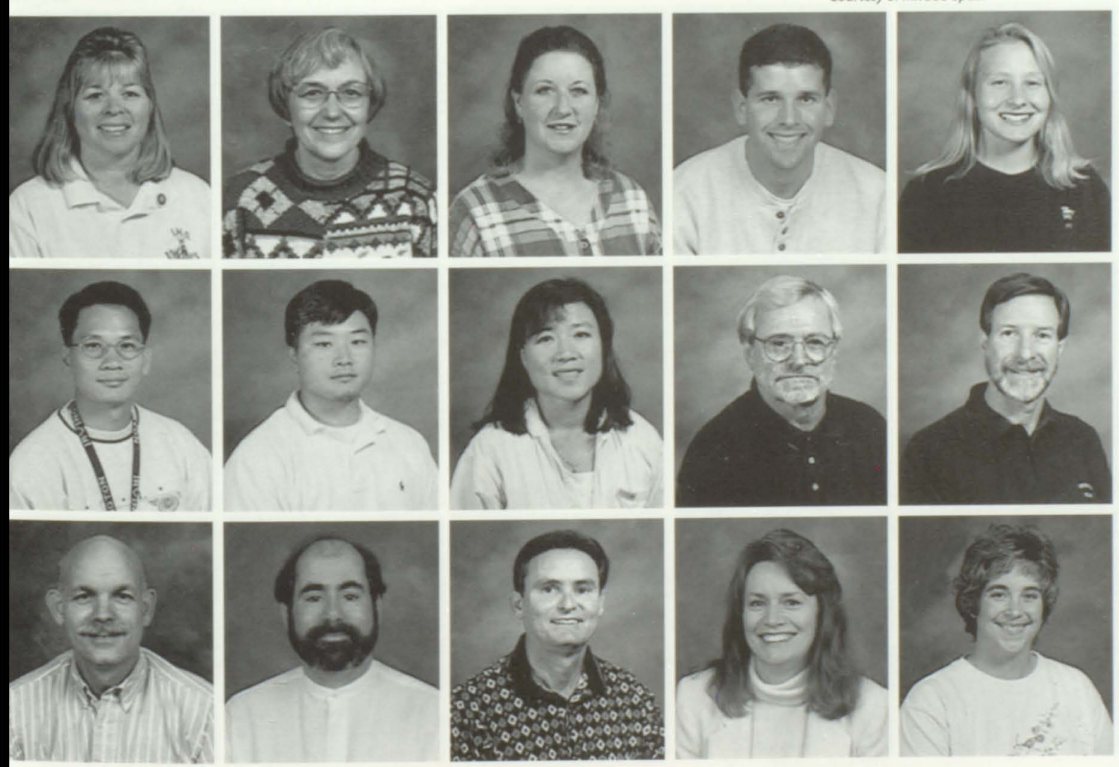
Courtesy of Mr. Bob Spain

ROCKIN' AND ROLLIN', Mr. Bob Spain plays a musical tune during lunch. He has been playing the guitar since he was young.

FLIRTING WITH THE CAMERA, Ms. Belinda Brackett shows off her acting ability. During her English classes, she often puts on a show for her students.



Jessica Neunzig



Linda Kimmel: Career Center
Caroline Langfeldt: Special Day Class
Cindy Lankford: Copy Center
Nels Larsen: Physical Education
Nicole Larson: World History

Alex Lee: Chemistry
David Lee: World History, American Studies U.S. History
Karen Lin: CPM Algebra I, CPM Algebra 2, AP Calculus
Nelson Lodge: Health
Roger Madsen: Psychology, Drafting

Brain Malzkuhn: Sign Language
Charles Marotta: Special Day Class
David Marshall: Spanish 3, AP Spanish
Karen De Baca Martens: Assistant Principal
Kim Martin: Physical Education

"A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops." —Henry Brooks Adams, author

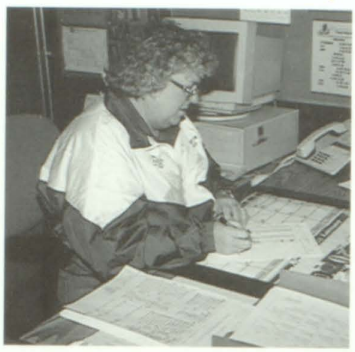
Updating the ASB budget, Ms. Alicia Moore is certain to keep it error free. Ms. Moore looked over and handled all school monies.

A secretary's job is never done. Ms. Lorna Powell makes an announcement about the monthly staff meeting.

After her lunch break, Ms. SueAnn Ramos goes over her absentee list. She will call the parents of marked students to verify absences.

After lunch, Ms. JoAnn Stooksberry goes over the previous day's absences. She will call students in to find out why they were absent if a note was not brought in.

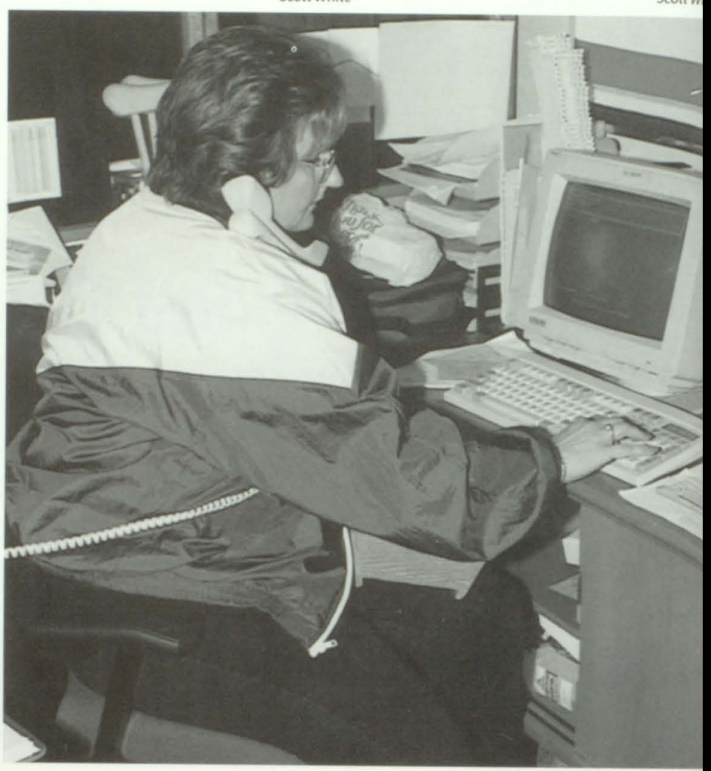
Looking up a student's records, Ms. Sharon Flores helps a parent resolve a student's debt. This was just one of the many tasks that she performed each day.



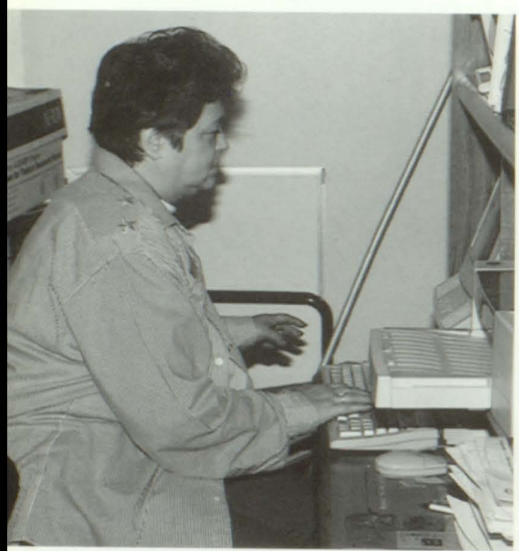
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"You can run an office without a boss, but you can't run an office without secretaries." —Jane Fonda, actress

Sharon McNeal: CPM Algebra, PreCalculus Honors, CPM Geometry
Josephine Mendez: Special Education
Debbie Miller: Counselor
Alicia Moore:: Accounts Clerk
Heidi Moore:: Academy Math and Science, Academy Service Learning

Robert Moran: Art I, Ohlone Art, Drawing
Pete Murchison: Principal
Julie Myers: Health, Social Dance I & 2, Leadership, Activities Director
Jon Nagel: Arts Spectrum, Drama I, Production/Stage Management
Raj Nagra: CPM Algebra, CPM Geometry, Applied Math

Denise Newell: Resource Program
Hanh Nguyen: CPM Algebra, CPM Geometry, Applied Math
Xuan-Vu Nguyen: English 9, English II
Kathleen O'Leary: Special Education
Leo O'Neill: Special Education



(WO)MAN your BATTLESTATIONS!

THE PEOPLE IN THE MAIN OFFICE DO A LOT MORE THAN JUST ANSWER PHONES

BY SCOTT WHITE

ADMIT SLIPS, CUTS, AND SATURDAY DETENTION. These were just a few of the things you heard when you were strolling through the Office on a typical school day. Ever stopped and wondered exactly what went on in the Office while classes were in session?

The Main Office was the control center for Irvington. There one will find administrators, secretaries, counselors and any other person that a student needed to see regarding paperwork.

Ms. Alicia Moore, the accounts clerk, who has been with Irvington since August 1981, was retiring in 2000. She was responsible for handling all school monies, including the ASB accounts, and making sure that the bills were paid. Her faviorite part of the job, she said, was "The kids. I can remember almost ever Senior Class president I ever worked with."

Ms. Sharon Flores, who most of us know as the woman in the middle of the Office, had many different tasks. She assisted Mr. Dave Howell, vice-principal, in inputting student schedules, organizing diplomas, coordinating testing, and assisting Ms. Linda Kimmel with Senior Awards Night. She said, "I like the many different things I get to do in my job. They come with a lot of stress, but then again that's what makes a job fun."

Assistant principals, what exactly did they do? Unless students have been discipline problems, they might not know who the AP's were. Ms. Karen De Baca Martens was one of two assistant principals. She was responsible for overseeing the Sophomore and Senior Classes. She took care of discipline problems and was in charge of senior year activities. Ms. Molly Barnes, new to Irvington, was the other assistant principal. She oversaw the Freshman and Junior Classes. She was also in charge of athletics and the ASB.

"You're behind credits. How are we going to make these up?" said Mr. Bob Franco, counselor, who tried to keep his students on track for graduation. Irvington had four counselors, each of whom oversaw different students. Ms. Debbie Miller said, "When you see a student that you helped walk across the stage on graduation day, you feel like you've done your job, and it's a great feeling."

Ms. Ann Hankin, school registrar, was in charge of student enrollment and transcripts. Ms. Lorna Powell was the secretary to Principal Pete Murchison. She kept track of his schedule and correspondence. She also oversaw grant accounts, the school budget and monthly newsletter, The Explorer.

The Office staff was an essential part of the functioning of the school even if most students did not realize it.

CHECKING LATE SCANTRONS, MS. Cathy Hoyt records all absences. She verifies absences to make sure students are not cutting.



Scott White



Kim Parker: AP Studio Art, Art I, Art 2
Susan Pate: Art I, Art 2, Ceramics
Asha Pathania: Applied Math, CPM Algebra
Susan Paulsen: Creative Clothing, Stitchery, Parent Child Development, Family Living, Culinary Arts
Dan Pearce: Biology, Life Science

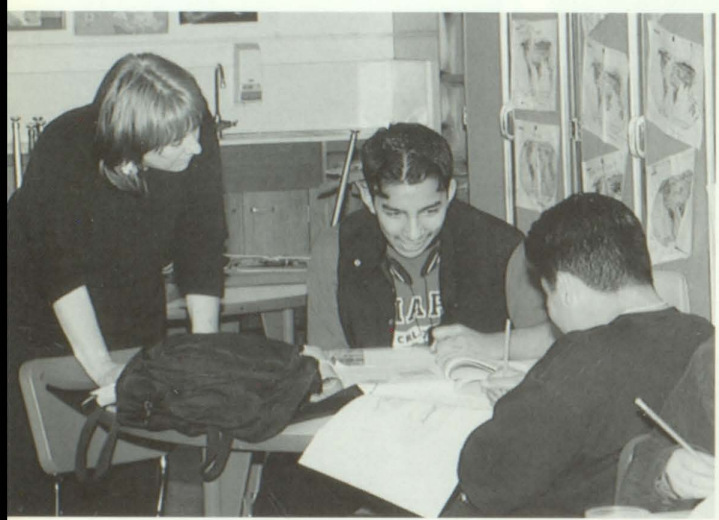
Kathleen Peterson: Freshman Foods, Culinary Arts,
Maureen Pierce: SDC Aide
Lorna Powell: Principal's Secretary
SueAnn Ramos: Attendance Clerk
Dolores Raymundi: Custodian

Lorna Riggio-Schwartz: Special Education
Doug Roberts: Academy English, Academy Social Sciences
Charlie Rodda: Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble
Mary Roman: Drawing, Photo I & 2, Publications I & 2, Tech Committee Coor.
Beth Rothfuss: Applied Math, Precal

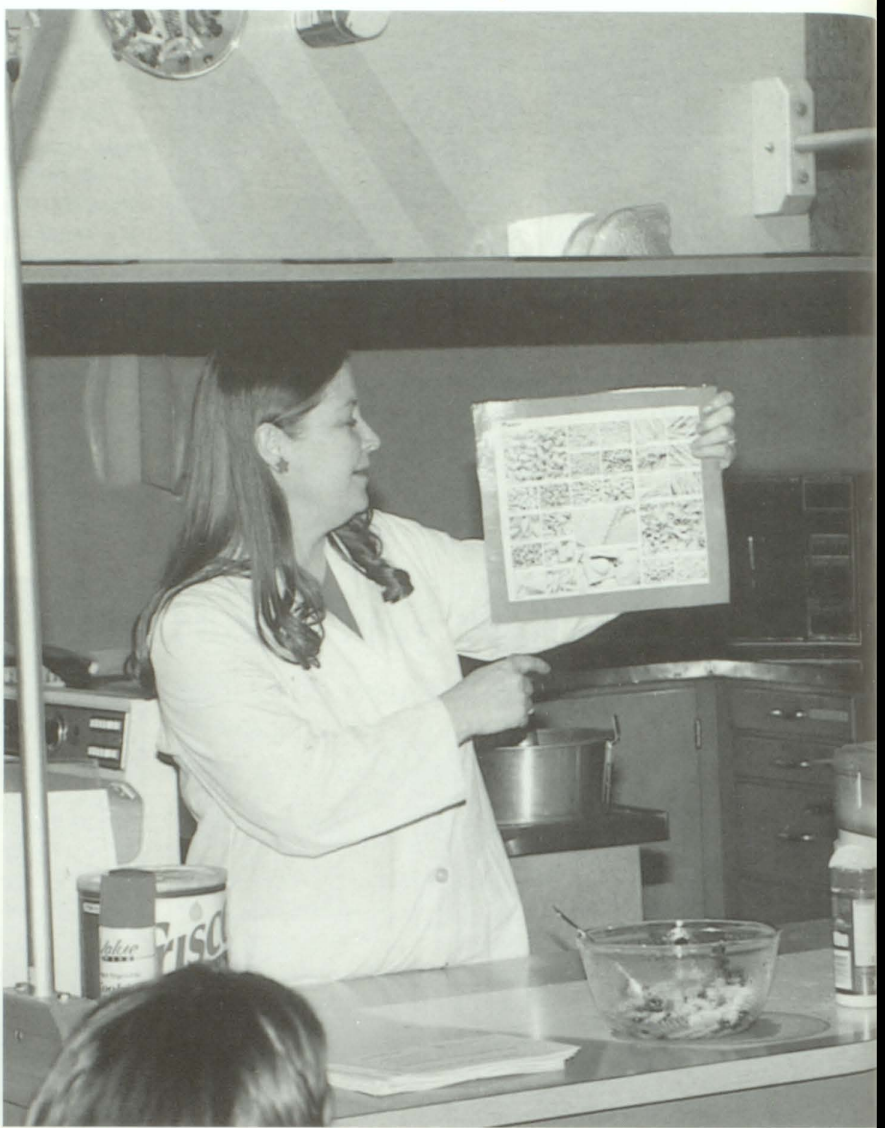
"No one needs a word processor if he has an efficient secretary."
—Robertson Davies, journalist

Helping her students in biology, Ms. Jeannette Frechou explains the way life forms over time. In high school, she met her first boyfriend by literally falling on her face.

In her Culinary Arts class, Ms. Susan Paulsen shows the class about the different types of pasta. Starting early with her career, she took cooking classes all four years in high school.



Sarah Atfield



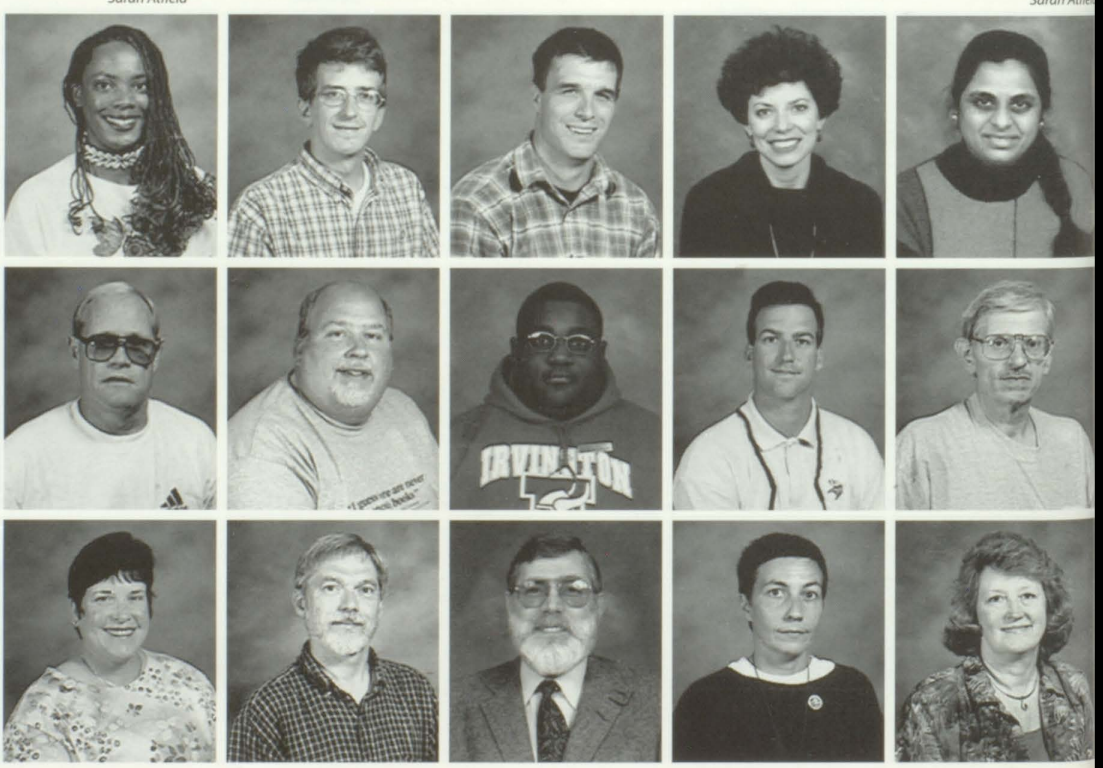
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"We teachers can only help the work going on, as servants wait upon a master." —Maria Montessori, educator

Vickie Sargent: English 9, English II, AP English II
Erik Scherer: Tech Support, World History, U.S. History
Doug Schubert: Spanish I, Spanish 2
Dayna Segner: Transitions Counselor
Rajeshree Singh: Special Day Class

Bill Sinnott: Physical Education
Daniel Sipsy: English 9, English II
Alex Smith: Campus Supervisor
Bob Spain: English 9, English I2
Joe Spinetta: Drivers Education, U.S. History, Government/ Economics

Marian Spooner: Physical Education
Ray Spooner: Algebra, Geometry, Applied Math
Bill Stanley: Network Administrator, Special Education
Christine Stone: Applied Math 2, Algebra I, Geometry
JoAnn Stooksberry: Attendance Secretary



HISTORY repeats ITSELF

WHEN TEACHERS WERE STUDENTS, THEY WERE NOT SO DIFFERENT FROM THE STUDENTS OF TODAY

BY AMY RICHARDS

AT SOME TIME OR ANOTHER, students often wondered what their teachers were like in high school or what their high school experience was like. Believe it or not, high school was not that different when the teachers went to school.

During his high school years, Mr. Nate Ivy, Service Learning Coordinator and Independent Study teacher, would most likely be considered one of the jocks at his high school because of his participation in sports such as basketball and track. Along with keeping his reputation as a jock, he completed tough AP classes like Calculus and Spanish. He said, "Because it was a private school, there were a lot of snobs there." Mr. Ivy successfully used his sports and academics to compete with the money of the other students throughout his years there.

Back when she was in high school, Ms. Susan Paulsen, Home Economics teacher, was the type who never received a detention or referral and rarely missed a single day at school. Ms. Paulsen said, "I always got A's, B's, and C's in all of my subjects." One might not expect this shy, quiet girl who never got into any trouble to be someone who marched with the school's drill team, but that's just what she did. Something that you would expect was that this current clothing teacher at Irvington did in fact make all of the uniforms for her team and sold them to the other drill team participants for a low price of $8 each.

High school was a time for a first love or first boyfriend/girlfriend for most students. As a freshman, Ms. Jeannette Frechou, science teacher, literally tripped and fell in love right before her soon-to-be senior boyfriend. She said, "He laughed at me and that's when we started our friendship." This clumsy high school experience ended up being one high school moment that Ms. Frechou will always share and remember.

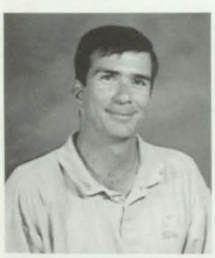
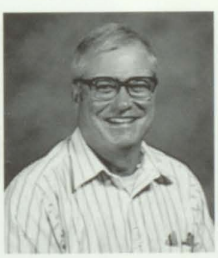
One might expect English teachers who got on students about doing their homework to have been excellent students themselves back when they were in high school. But for English teacher Mr. Brian Woodward, that wasn't the case at all. He said, "I was too interested in outside school activities like hanging out with my friends and having a good time." For these reasons, Mr. Woodward became a below average student back then. Because of this, he now understands students and hopes that they will not do the same thing that he did when he was in high school.

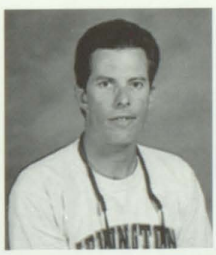
The moral of the story is that the high school experience has not changed that much over the years. Just go ahead and ask the nearest teacher.

AS THE INDEPENDENT STUDY teacher, Mr. Nate Ivy goes over his records of the work that a student has completed. High school was a different experience for him since he attended a private high school in New Mexico.



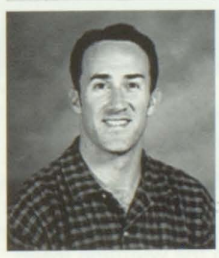
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Steve Strout: Physical Education
William Stull: Counselor
Eileen Taufer: ROP Health Care
Michael Thompson: Applied Math, Algebra I, Precalculus Honors
Stacey Tisor-Wallace: Physical Science, Biology

Carol Weltmer: English 10, AP English
Clementine Whalen: American Studies, English 9
Harold Whitmore: Special Education
Suzie Wittenberger: Librarian
Brian Woodward: English 9, English 10

Mark Zeljak: English 9, ELP Reading, ELP Writing, English 11

"I'm here to learn, people, not to make out with you! Go on with the chlorophyll." —Adam Sandler in *Billy Madison*

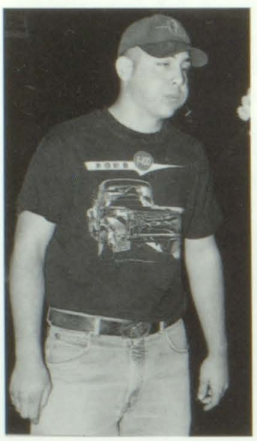
Now or Never

Stuffing his mouth with marshmallows, Bud Mensinger participates in the Chubby Bunny contest in the Winter Sports and Dance Rally. Because of him, the seniors got their victory.

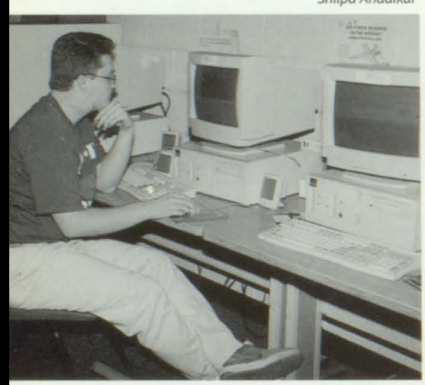
Former Homecoming finalist Joey Ragain escorts Abeda Bayanzai down the red carpet at the Unity Day Rally. Abeda was a nominee for Homecoming Queen honors.



Aubrey St. Marie

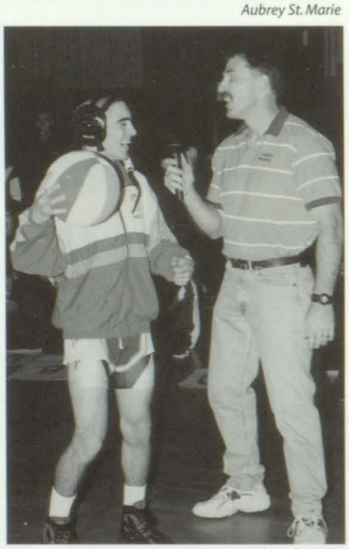


Shilpa Andalkar



Jessica Neunzig

Using a computer in the Career Center, Todd Stilwell finds the research he needs for his QUEST project. Completing the many QUEST deadlines was one of the most difficult parts of passing 12th grade English.



Aubrey St. Marie

In the Winter Sports and Dance Rally, Dallas Tringali and Wrestling Coach Mark Barnes kid about how basketball players get more girls than wrestlers. They used the humorous skit to persuade students to go to the wrestling meets.

by **Amy Richards**
Sarah Atfield

The most important thing about senior year in high school was that it was a time when students found out who they really were. Seniors decided what they would be doing in the future and what they could do now to get there.

Whether it was going to a big university or to a small community college like the ever-so-popular Ohlone, seniors had their time after graduation all planned out. Like most other seniors, Marci Schumaker thought that leaving home was a scary situation. She realized just how much her parents did for her. With time, this would all change.

Seniors with jobs found it hard to hold on to money for their future plans. After getting a paycheck from his job at Fry's Electronics, Cory Mullins' money quickly transformed into computer equipment. Cory said that this was a good investment, better than spending his money on clothes. Saving money was possible, but it seemed almost impossible to most.

Getting a driver's license has always been a serious part of the high school experience. But, once a student received a license it was different. A large number of seniors, like Colene Larson, played games while in their cars with friends. One rule of Colene's game of rebellion was to go slow, but not stop, to let passengers out of her car. Even with time, doing unusual things while in cars would probably never change.

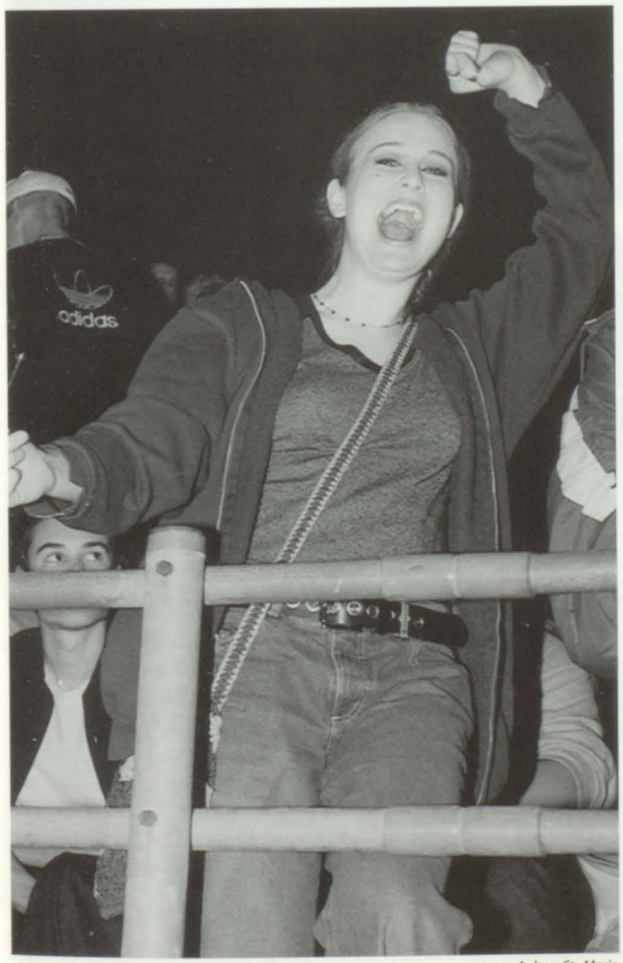
Even as they neared adulthood, seniors had a hard time escaping nicknames. One senior with an uncommon name, Aislinn McVay, often got annoyed when she heard people in the halls yelling, "Yo, Iceland!" But those seniors just got used to it and knew that this would not go on forever.

The end of the senior year was the time to make a full confession of mistakes. Among the guilt stricken, Ryan Tornio admitted to cheating his way through a few tests. Some seniors thought it was best to 'fess up about cheating or pulling pranks in high school to get out any guilty feelings and to move on with their lives.

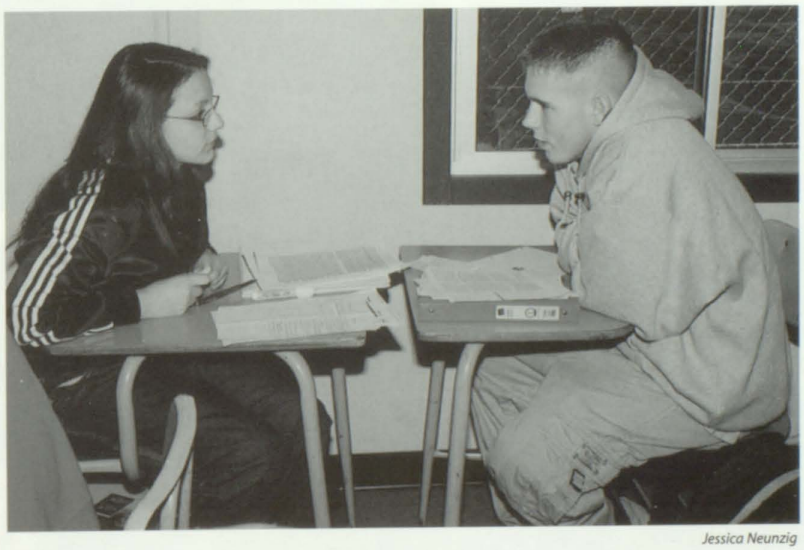
Instead of looking at their last year as just the end of high school, seniors saw it as the beginning of something new.



Kurt del Rosario



Aubrey St. Marie



Jessica Neunzig

During the Unity Day Rally, Kathleen Gill, Sara Dudgeon,Brenna Prevost, Nichelle Burdick and Denise Bennett show off their blue and white spirit. Displaying IHS pride was a big part being a senior.

In their government class, Nikhila Berry and Sean Asplund discuss the research they are completing on affirmative action. Analyzing this real issue was the basis of a research paper in Mr. Mark Isero's class.

At the Homecoming Game, Colene Larson shows her senior spirit. The Homecoming Game was an excuse for a large number of seniors to show their craziness.

Proving that all of those years spent taking piano lessons were not a waste of time, Laura Nielsen displays her piano playing skills with *Fountain in the Rain*. She also played the piano for some of the other acts, including Amanda Vick's rendition of Sarah McLachlan's *Angel*.



Diane Stendahl

Ready to do anything for a laugh, hosts Bryce Taylor and Lewis Jackson don dresses to become Princess Brianna and Queen Luann. This was just one of the cousins' crazy antics during this night of singing, dancing, family reunions, technical difficulties, poetry and cross-dressing.



Diane Stendahl

Backed up by Thomas Hinderlie on the drums, Brian "Vo-torious" Vo raps out against the fallout of QUEST. Thanks in part to the senior benchmark, Brian, like all seniors, learned the hard way that the last year of high school is not all fun and games.



Diane Stend

Leslie Abarientos
Alyson Adams

Eric Aguilar
Robert Ainsworth

Angelina Aldama
Shilpa Andalkar

Jason Anderson
Amy Andress

Patrick Andrews
Tolo Aria

"I don't think the Backstreet Boys actually play their own instruments."

—Mike Quinn



FROM CROSS-DRESSING TO LILITH FAIR, THE SENIORS COME TO SHOWCASE THEIR TALENTS IN A SHOW CALLED SENIORITIS

Lights, sound, action... action...

For an entire week, the seniors faced one piece of bad news after another. Everyone was ready for a flop. The day of Senioritis, Ms. Karen Martens, assistant principal, said, "Maybe we should cancel the second show." But the seniors decided that the show must go on. The fund-raiser was a success and a great night of fun for everyone.

action?

Following the New Year's theme, hosts Lewis Jackson, Bryce Taylor, Gene Kendall and Armohn Jackson brought in the Millennium with a slew of talent. Alisyn Pena started with a monologue, "Serious Biz-ness." Jillian Doying followed with a rendition of *Dreams*. To lighten things up, John Magat and company showed what would happen if WWF wrestlers got jobs at McDonald's.

Music dominated the rest of the evening. Laura Nielsen played *Fountain in the Rain* on piano. Then Megan Tiner, Nicole McNeil and Amanda Pitman danced to *Man, I Feel Like a Woman*. "The Little People" continued with everyone's favorite theme song from Rocky III.

"We love you, Thomas!" could be heard as drummer Thomas Hinderlie went into a solo. Then "Crazy Mennonites" Jennifer Finch and Christine Gervasi lip-synched *Amish Paradise*. Amanda Vick performed *Angel*, while Leslie Abarientos and her dancers sang *What a Girl Wants*. Bryce Taylor, Lewis Jackson and Maurice Farley ended the show with *Irv-Town*, written by Bryce.

The show ended with "the ball drop," at which point the lights went out. Amidst cries of "Y2K," the lights came on for an encore by Q.H.H.R. And to most everyone's surprise, the pre-pubescent-pleasing-power-pop group known as the Backstreet Boys (Kevin Ghahremani, Patrick Morris, Matt Clark, Brian Sothcott, Craig Thayer) danced onto stage for a surprise number complete with chair dancing and air guitar. However, technical director Mike Quinn pointed out that "I don't think the Backstreet Boys actually play their own instruments."

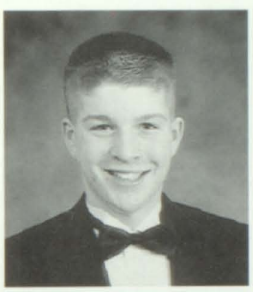
However, they did manage to play up to the audience and bring to an end two nights of fun, love and music.

by Patrick Morris

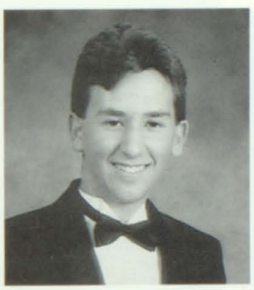


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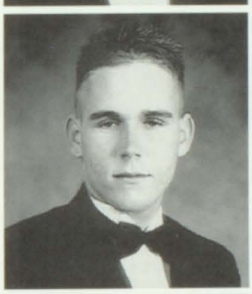
Despite being vertically-challenged, the Little People (Victor Wong, Keith Pacoma, Jerry Lamigo, Christina Callanta, Ashkan Dorodyan, Jalal Mosameh) do their best to dance to *Eye of the Tiger*. If only Sly Stallone could see them now...



Joseph Arnaz



Christopher Arno



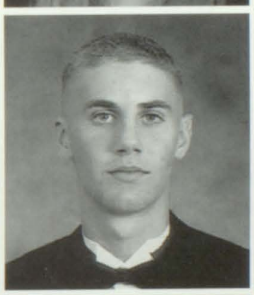
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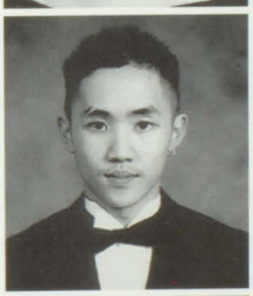
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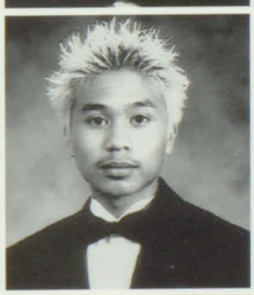
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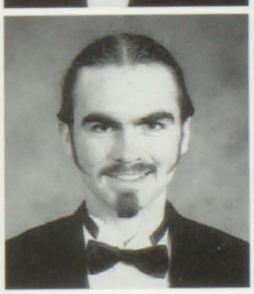
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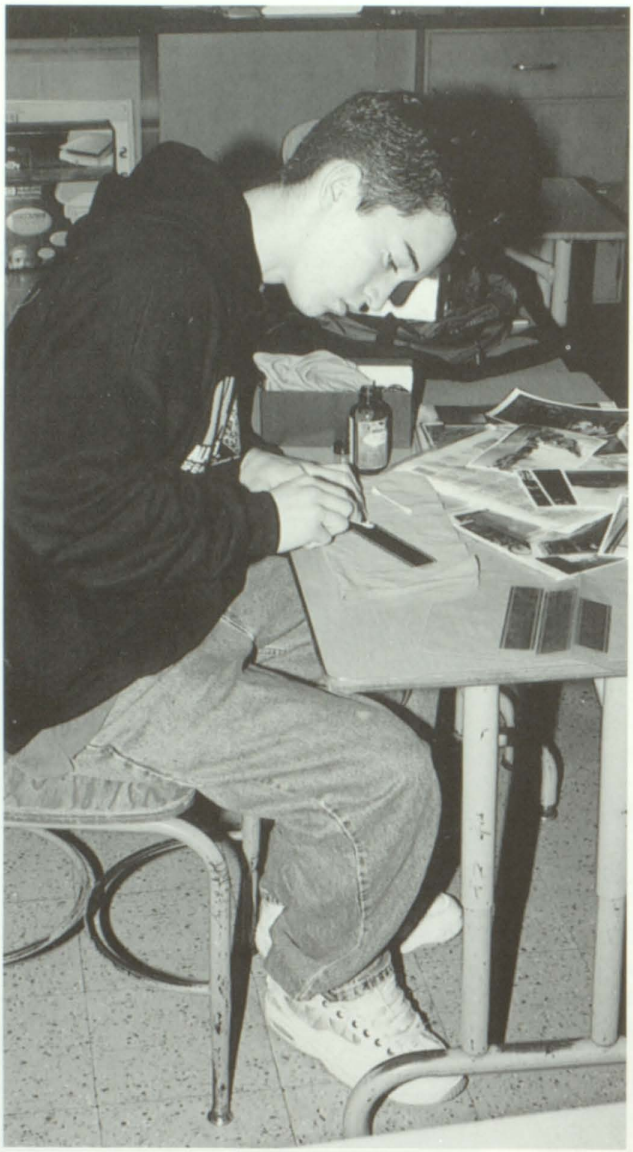


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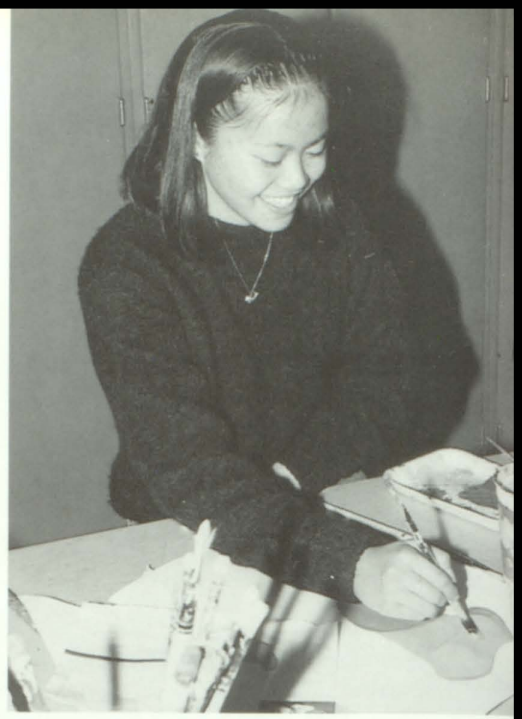
In 10 years, Elizabeth Phan dreams of teaching out of state. In the meantime, she enjoyed doing art.

Ten years from now, Bryan Dorrell would like to be a sports photographer. He took Photo in order to be prepared for his future.

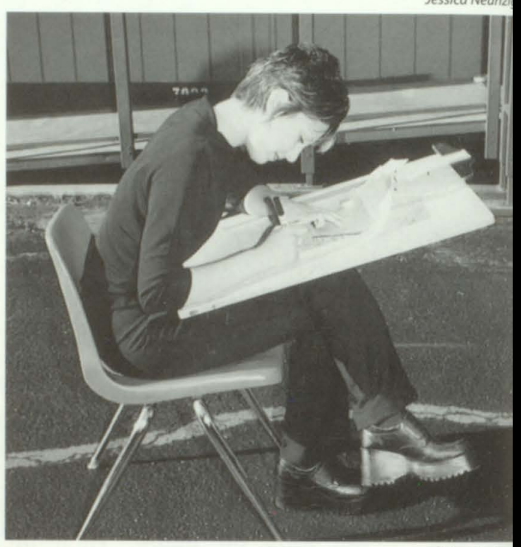
By taking drafting, Tolo Aria is getting ready for her future plans. She had plans to be an architect.



Scott White



Jessica Neunz



Shilpa Andal

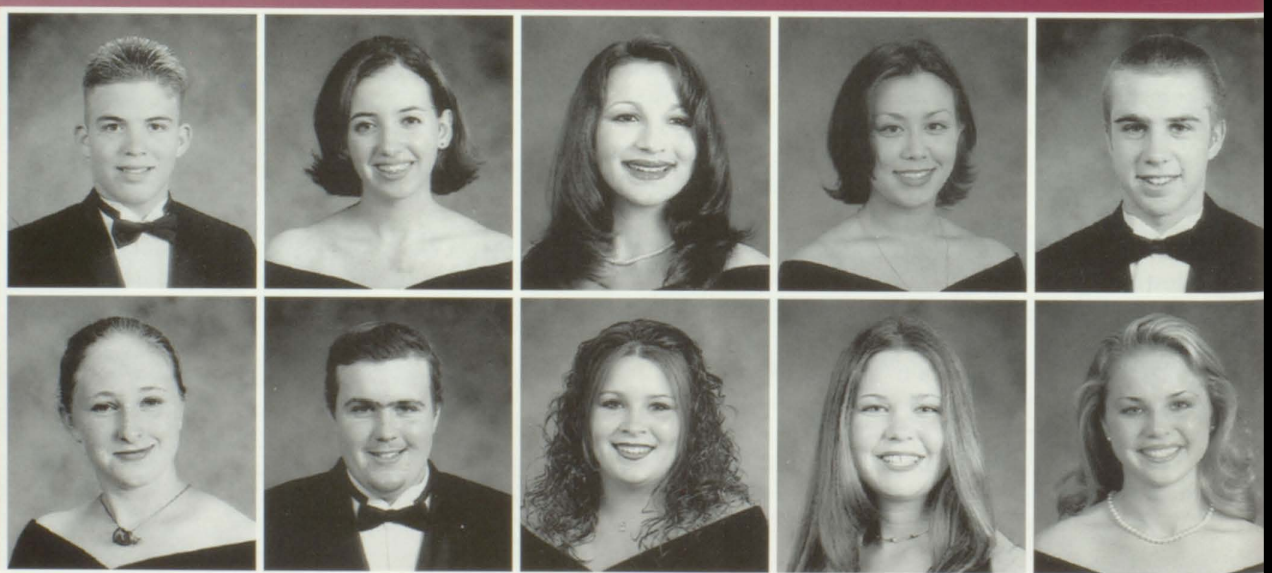
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Laura Baugher

Denise Bennett
Mark Bergersen

Nikhila Berry
Becky Bettner

Jessica Bonham
Jennifer Brown

Erik Bryant
Jennifer Burbank



"Hopefully, I'll be in the NFL living with a beautiful wife and a child."

—Lewis Jackson

SENIORS TELL THE GOALS THEY WISH TO ACCOMPLISH WITHIN 10 YEARS

Where will seniors be in 10 years?

With a brand new beginning unfolding before them, many seniors revealed their visions of what their lives would be like 10 years down the unpredictable road of life.

❂Bryan Dorrell: "I see myself in extreme sports photography because photographs interest me. I would love to be living in the Bay Area because this is where extreme sports are popular."

❂ Jason Anderson: "I see myself in computer graphics because it is the art of the future. I will be married with one or two children. I dream of owning several houses within the U.S."

❂ Chelsa Dessy: "I like to design things and am good with colors and fabrics so I would be in interior design. I would like to see myself married with a child and would like to live on a ranch in the country."

❂ Katherine Griffith: "I would be a news reporter in New York City. It is an interesting job because I get to deal with people and the changing society on a daily basis. Marriage would depend on my career, but 28 is my panic age (but I have a back up plan)."

❂ Eric Aguilar: "I will be an FBI agent because the act of investigation has been interesting. I don't think that I would get married until I'm 30."

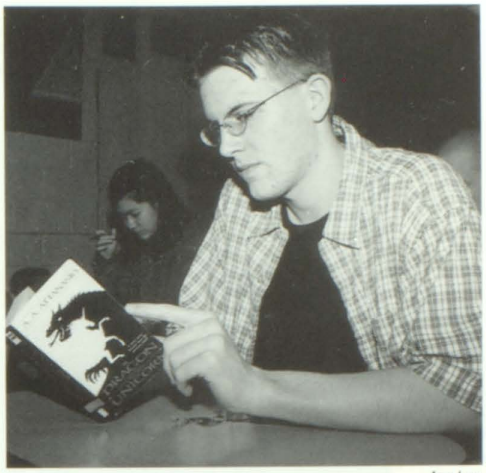
❂ Diana Hall: "I want to be a hairstylist because of the upbeat environment it has. I have loved making people look good. I hope to be married with a little boy, living in either Hawaii or Florida."

❂ Lea Meier: "I see myself living in a mansion on the beach with pet dolphins. I would be a marine biologist married to Jacob Thomason or a doctor who has a lot of money."

❂ Bud Mensinger: "I would like to be an NASCAR mechanic living in South Carolina because I have always enjoyed working on cars, so why not make a good living doing that?"

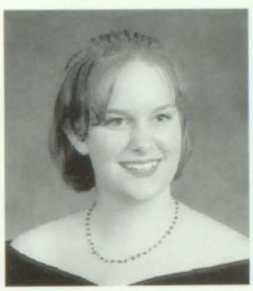
These seniors were awaiting a new start to begin accomplishing their dreams and goals.

by Rasheel Dhillon



Ann Lan

Unlike most seniors, Scott Morris has no specific goals that he has set for himself. However, he has taken a variety of college prep classes so that he is prepared for any obstacle that might block his path in the near future.



Nichelle Burdick



Florideth Bustos



Christina Callanta



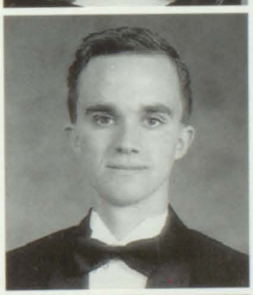
Vanessa Camacho



Suzanne Cardadeiro



Miriam Carvalho



Edward Cary III



Stephanie Castrillo



Christina Castro



Jason Chan



Aubrey St .Mar

Sharing one of their favorite moments, Sara Dudgeon and her sister Katie eat Mother's Cookies while playing their "Will You Marry Me" game. Ever since Sara could remember, she has eaten the cookies with her sister this very way.



Shilpa Andalka

During the Winter Assembly, Jerry Lamigo[on the left] volunteers to represent the Senior Class for the skateboard game. Although Jerry did not come in first place, he had fun doing it.

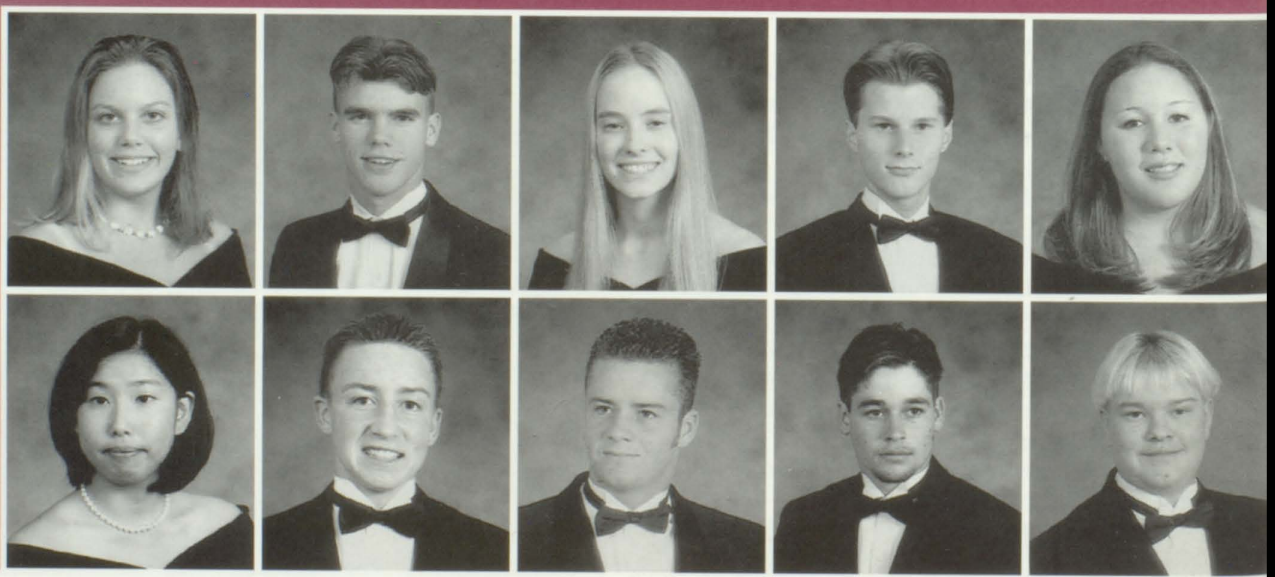
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Richard Conti

Shannon Cornelio
Jorge Cortez



"Whenever someone wanted a cookie, I would turn to them and ask, 'Do you want to marry me?"

—*Sara Dudgeon*

SOME SENIORS REFUSE TO GIVE UP THE LAST MOMENTS OF THEIR CHILDHOOD

I don't want to grow up, I am a kid!

You want me to GROW UP? Not in this lifetime! Just because the Class of 2000 was graduating, it did not mean we were going to act like adults any time soon. Some of us kept that kid inside of us quiet. Others were known for their young behavior and childish dreams.

Even those of us who acted mature in class had those moments where we let the kid inside truly show. Sara Dudgeon still loved it when her mom brought home those cookies with the holes in the center and the chocolate drips across. Ever since Sara could remember she and her sister played the "Will you marry me game?" with those cookies. Sara said, "Whenever someone wanted a cookie, I would turn to them and ask, 'Do you want to marry me?' as I placed a 'cookie ring' on that person's finger."

On some rare occasions, Denise Bennett let that inner voice of hers ring out with one of her favorite songs. Several of her friends recalled random instances when they were walking down the hallway together, and out of nowhere, Denise grabbed a pen for her "microphone" and started singing *Tainted Love*. Denise explained that her singing took her problems away and made her feel better.

Unlike Denise, Vernon Smith only let good friends see his kid-at-heart side. During one finals week, Vernon and his friends were bored, and they started picking lemons off of the lemon tree. Throughout the week, they started making a game out of who could throw the lemons the farthest from the backyard fence, eventually having the best target a shed across the street. Vernon, having fun acting like a kid, had no idea what he was getting himself into. One night he answered the door and found the police on his doorstep. It turned out that this was a form of vandalism, so Vernon had to write a letter of apology to his neighbor. Although Vernon will more careful now, that kid in him still loved hanging around with his friends.

Many of the seniors agreed with Peter Pan when he said, "I won't grow up!"

by Aubrey St. Marie



Aubrey St. Marie

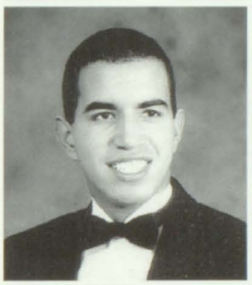
During the Welcome Back Rally, Gene Kendall lets his true kid identity show through. Gene was one of the many seniors who was not afraid to let people see him act like a kid.



Cassie Crowe



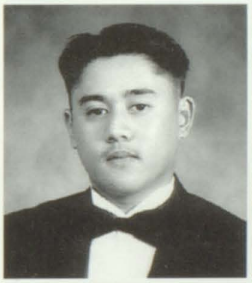
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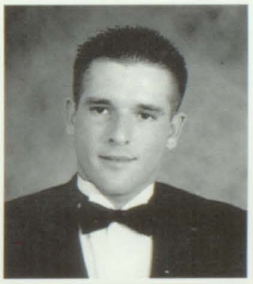
Matthew Cunha



Nancy Curry



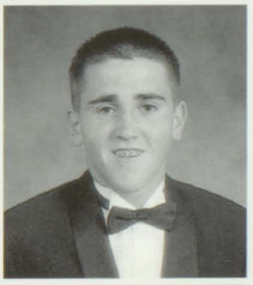
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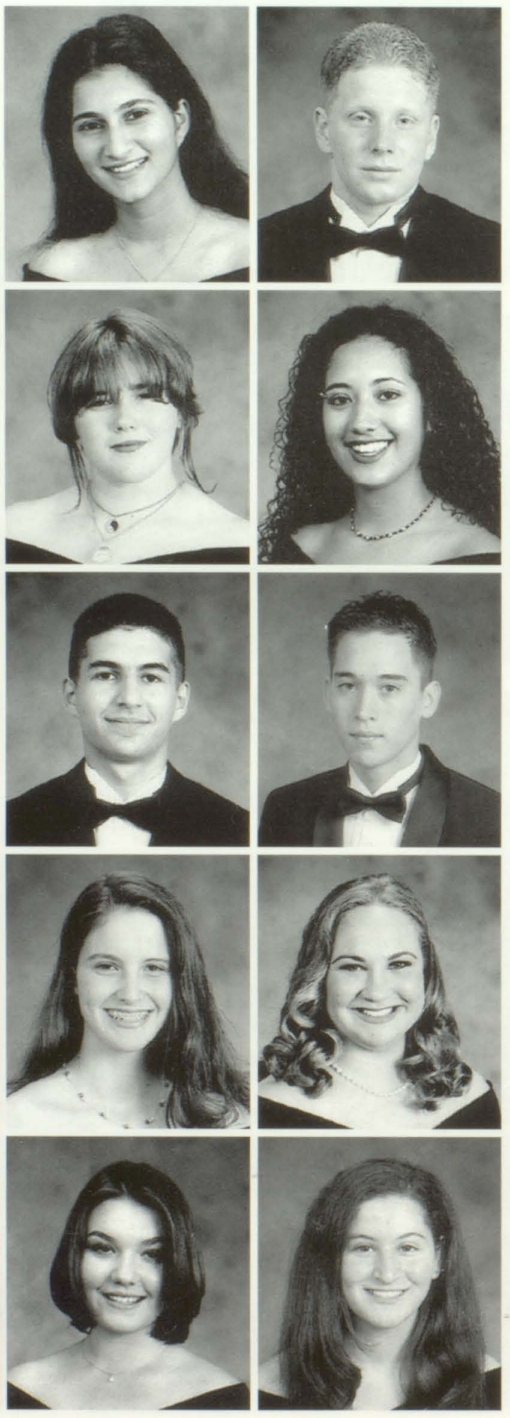
Seniors let the cat out of the bag by shedding light on their untold secrets

Revealing the crimes of the past



Shilpa Andalkar

As a practical joke, John Lathbury puts on Jennifer Brown's makeup. John confessed that he became very popular with girls from another school by giving them back massages.



Rasheel Dhillon
Steven Dicherico

Samantha Dolan
Monica Dominguez

Ashkan Dorodyan
Bryan Dorrell

Jillian Doying
Sara Dudgeon

Maria Dunndic
Arij Elkhatio

These confessions might be scandalous or just plain shocking. Everyone had skeletons in their closets and seniors were no exception.

In her freshman year, Laura Chandler entered the forbidden boys' locker room and bathroom. "My friend and I just strolled in there just for the heck of it." When a guy spotted them, they merely commented on the condition of the restroom.

Sophomore year John Lathbury went on the Catalina Island science trip. He got more than he bargained for. Girls from another school really wanted backrubs so they breached one of the major rules: No boys in the girls' cabin at ANY time. "They just put my sweatshirt hood over my head, and smuggled me into their cabin room."

During the summer of his junior year, Ryan LoBue earned his permit. "Before I got my license, I 'borrowed' my parents' car several times." He drove the 'borrowed' vehicle to establishments such as Golfland and Starbucks.

QUEST was not exactly at the top of every senior's list. But, if used creatively, it could be a resourceful tool. "One day my cousin Lewis got me really angry so I hid some of his QUEST papers,"said Bryce Taylor. Fortunately for Bryce Taylor, his cousin was able to meet the deadline.

In her junior year, Allie Renner called the school and made them think her 'daughter' had the stomach flu. Later on Allie called her mom and told her that she would be spending the weekend at her grandparents. "My friend Kate and I ended up in Tahoe for the weekend in her cabin with some hot guys that we had met the week before," said Allie.

For Dallas Tringali, the sport of wrestling carried a price. Freshman year he had eight inches of hair. However, it was all shaved off with the beginning of the wrestling season. "That day, I cried all day long," Dallas revealed.

Whatever the confession might be, it was clear that these seniors wanted to clear their consciences before they bid adieu to that halls of Irvington.

by Rasheel Dhillon and Amanda Lau

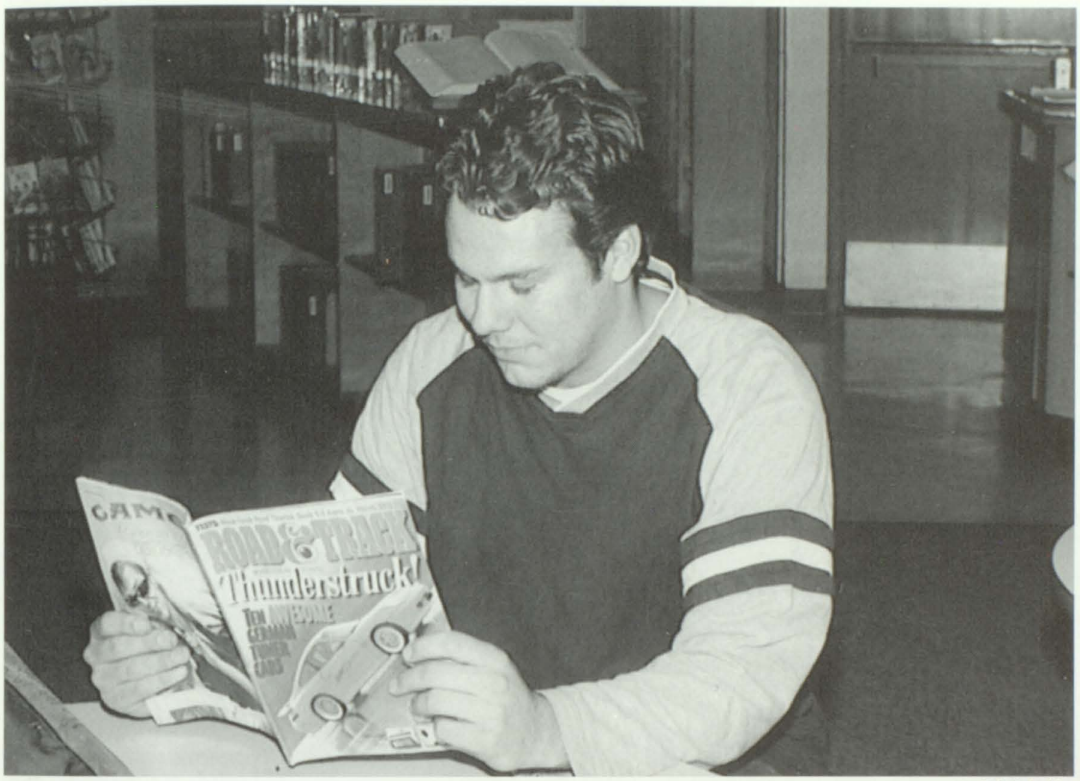


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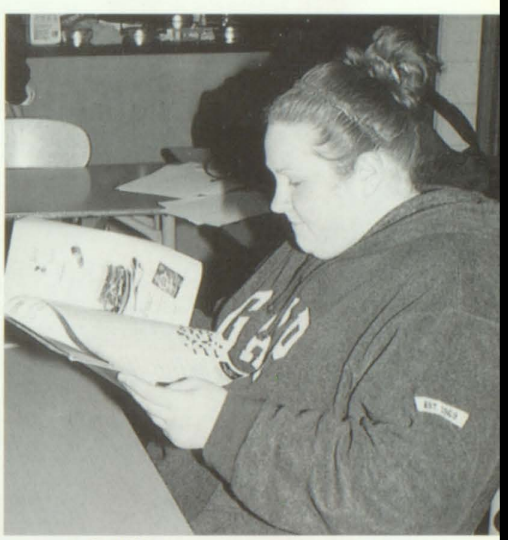
At the Homecoming Game, Vernon Smith and Dallas Tringali cheer their hearts out for the Vikings. Dallas confessed that he cried his heart out the day he shaved his hair for wrestling.

Reading a car magazine brings back special memories for Ryan Lo Bue. Ryan confessed that during the summer of his junior year, his parents had no knowledge of the fact that he driven the car solo on numerous occasions months before he had become a licensed driver. Miraculously, Ryan was never pulled over by a cop.

Spending Tutorial time reading a magazine, Venetia Bass considers possible fashion alternatives. She confessed that she had three tattoos done without permission. Luckily for Venetia, these telltale marks were conveniently hidden from parental eyes.

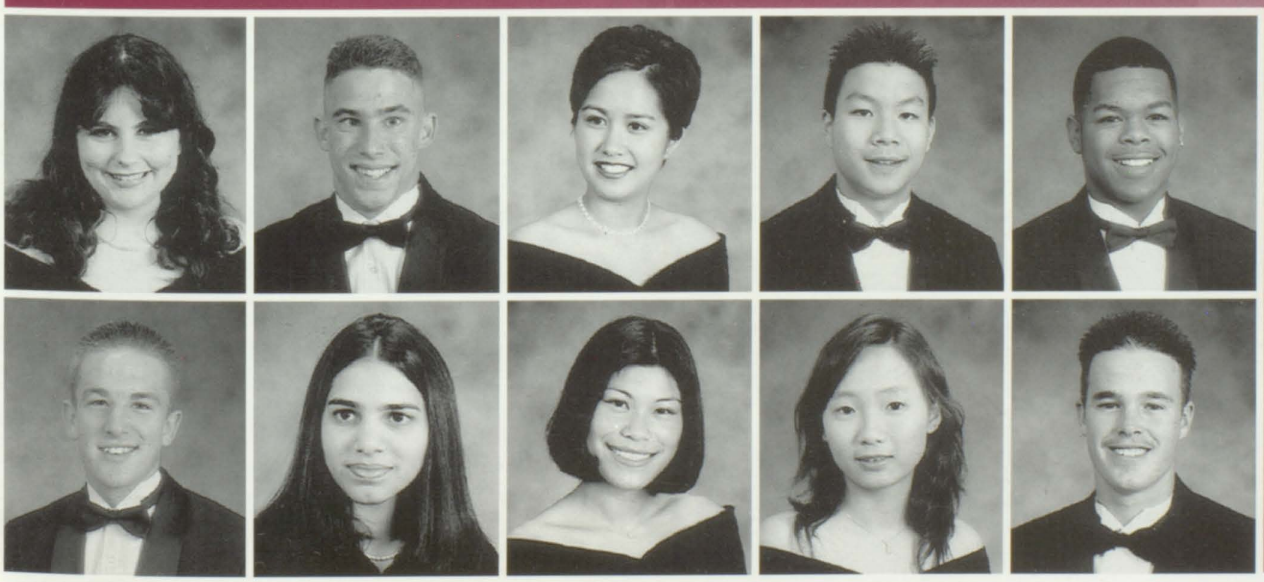


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Scott White

Rebecca Espasandin
Clark Fairley
Janet Fame
Steven Fan
Kelly Farley
Matthew Farrington
Aelia Fatima
Carolyn Feng
Stephanie Feng
Blake Fernandez



"My parents don't know that I crashed my car in a parking lot."

— *Erica Jorstad*

SENIORS BASE THEIR FINAL WORDS OF ADVICE ON THEIR LIFE EXPERIENCES

Words of wisdom from seniors

During Ms. Cathy Ash's English class, Pannha Vang and his group have a discussion about morals. He is reminded of a time when he experienced prejudice: "Don't judge people by the way they look because it's just wrong."



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Jennifer Finch



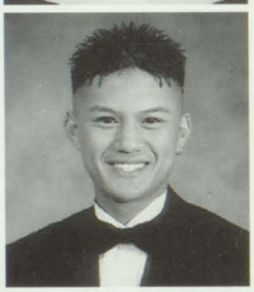
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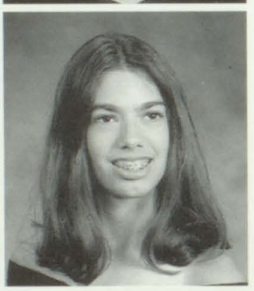
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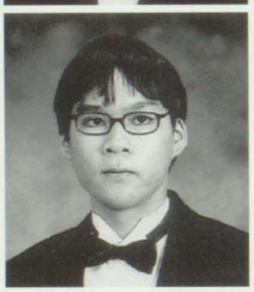
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Marvin Fontanilla



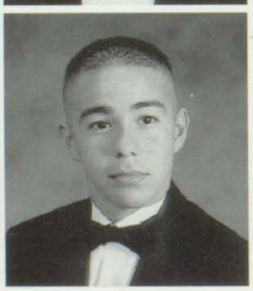
Katie Fowler



Kenneth Fung



Reem Ganim



Saul Garcia



Shawn Garcia

As seniors recalled their life experiences, they had to admit they have gained new insights. Now seniors have enough wisdom to share with those who need it.

Worry warts stressed out about things that were probably no big deal. Ebelin Ruiz said, "Don't think of crossing the bridge until you get there." This was her metaphor for dealing with problems. "You shouldn't fret and stress out too much. Panicking won't help you solve your problems," said Ebelin.

"I love you." These three powerful words had a sincere meaning from a beloved person. That's why it was so important that these words be used to express affection. Reese Farley said, "Don't tell someone you love them when you don't." He learned his lesson the hard way, and he made sure that he would not make it again. "When you tell someone you love them, make sure that you mean it and that the person deserves to hear those words," said Reese.

Good and bad experiences in the past molded people into who they were. Arij El-Khatib said, "If you keep looking back you may never get to where you want to go." If people did not learn to let go of the past and move on, they might find each day difficult. "People who carried a lot of emotional baggage are caught too much in their past," she said.

Being wise was not all that it was cracked up to be. "Wise men say that even the wisest of men know that they do not know everything," Patrick Andrews said.

"Life is a journey," said Stephanie Hammack. People thought that where the path of their life led to was what mattered. "It's not getting there that is important, but what you do on your way," Stephanie said. She had observed that no matter where the path of life leads make sure that you enjoy it and take each moment in stride.

The insight people gained from life experiences helped them see things in a different light or helped them understand things more.

by Richelle Nobles



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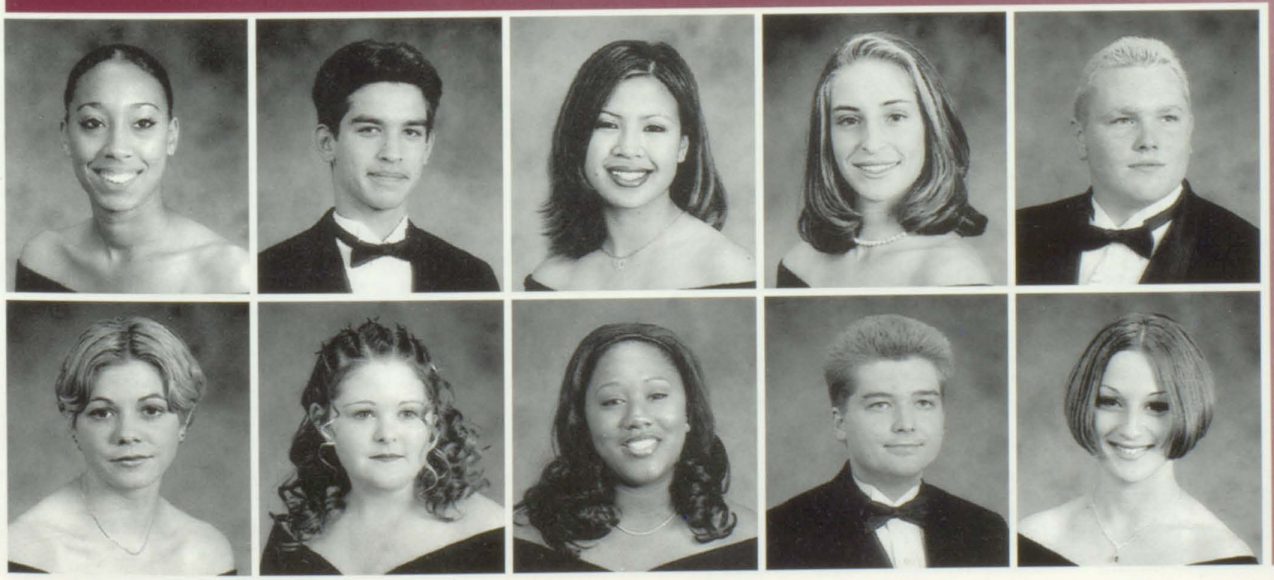
In Mr. Seiji Kawamura's Physics class Patrick Andrews gives his undivided attention. Although he did well in that class, he followed his own advice: "Even the wisest of men know that they don't know everything."

Preparing to cut his negatives into smaller strips, Matt Ritona works in Photo 1. Matt's advice to students was, "Don't sleep in class because if the teacher catches you, it doesn't look good."



Sarah Atfield

Shervon George
Christine Gervasi
Mathew Gilbuena
Kathleen Gill
Jennilee Gomez
Brandee Green
Katherine Griffith
Justin Gutt
Nick Guttery
Diana Hall



"Don't think of crossing the bridge until you get there."

—Ebelin Ruiz



Thomas Hinderlie waters a plant and drinks a Coke in his Batman themed room. "In a world full of imperfect people, Batman comes closest to perfection," he said.

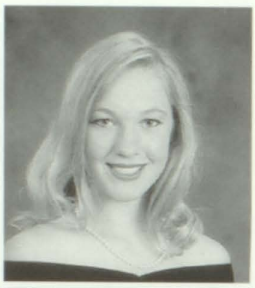
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BEDROOMS ARE MORE THAN FASHION STATEMENTS. THEY REVEAL THEIR OCCUPANTS' PERSONALITIES

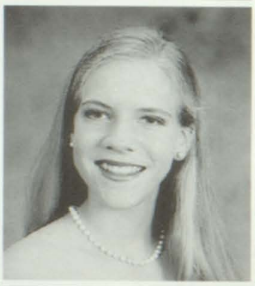
Wanna go back to my room?

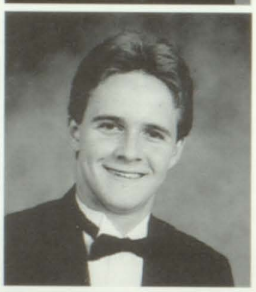
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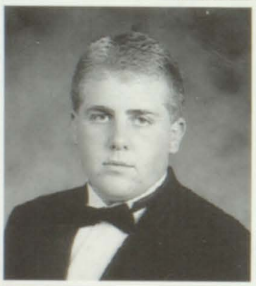


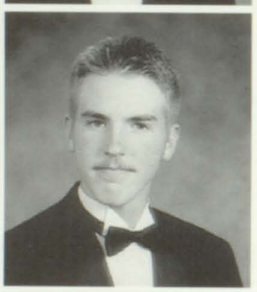
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Matthew Hebb





Trevor Hetrick
Sean Higgins





Caitlin Hillier-Toureau
Katherine Hirigoyen





Keith Ho
Sharon Ho





For most seniors, the place to find refuge after an awful day at school was their own bedrooms. There, they could vegetate on their beds, stare listlessly at their decorated walls, or maybe even study. Their bedrooms were extensions of their personalities.

The walls of a room could reflect students' interests or personalities. Lacey Westerhoff decked the walls with surf boards and Pacific Sunwear logos. "I also have a bunk bed. I sleep on the top bunk," she said. Otherwise, her room depicted a very tidy teen Martha Stewart look.

Look out, it's a big fish! Splash! It's not Sea World; it's Sam Follett's "Under the Sea" themed bedroom. If students' rooms were not for relaxation, then maybe they were for marine adventure. "My room used to be have a Batman theme, but later I realized that I like the ocean and stuff like sharks better," she said.

Bushed from a long day at school, Christine Gervasi would take a load off by listening to her favorite band, Nirvana, which was one of the many bands advertised all over the walls of her room. Posters and magazine pin-ups of the band dating back to her fifth grade year still remained intact, despite the tears and multiple push-pin punctures all over them.

Every morning when Thomas Hinderlie got out of his bunk bed, he faced the evils of Gotham City which were embodied in the figurines he had around his room. Batman was the only one who could protect him, so he made sure there were action figures and posters of the hero, too.

"I like hats. That's why they're all pinned up on my ceiling," said Dallas Tringali. His wrestling trophies and medals adorned his shelves. A disarray of laundry was spread over the carpet. The smell of sweaty boy also permeated the air. "Sports and socks don't mix," he said.

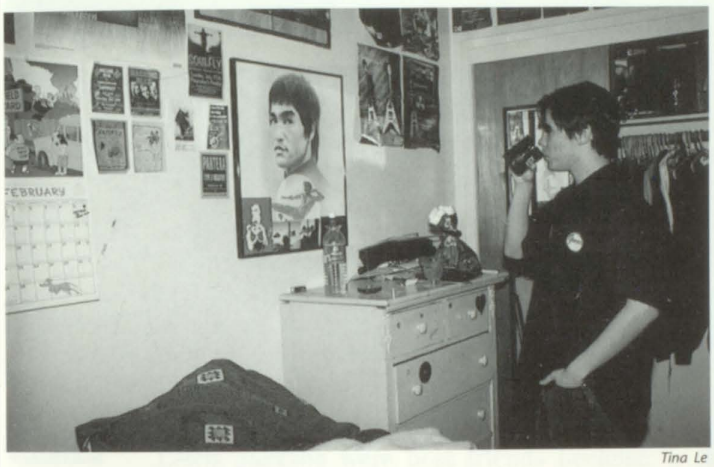
Bedrooms were capable of sheltering their inhabitants while they slept, but the real magic in them was how seniors took the time to make their rooms as unique as they were.

by Tina Le



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Alvin the dog waits as Sam Follett finishes reading a book about sharks. It is a wonder that Sam did not drown in her very under-the-sea themed bedroom.



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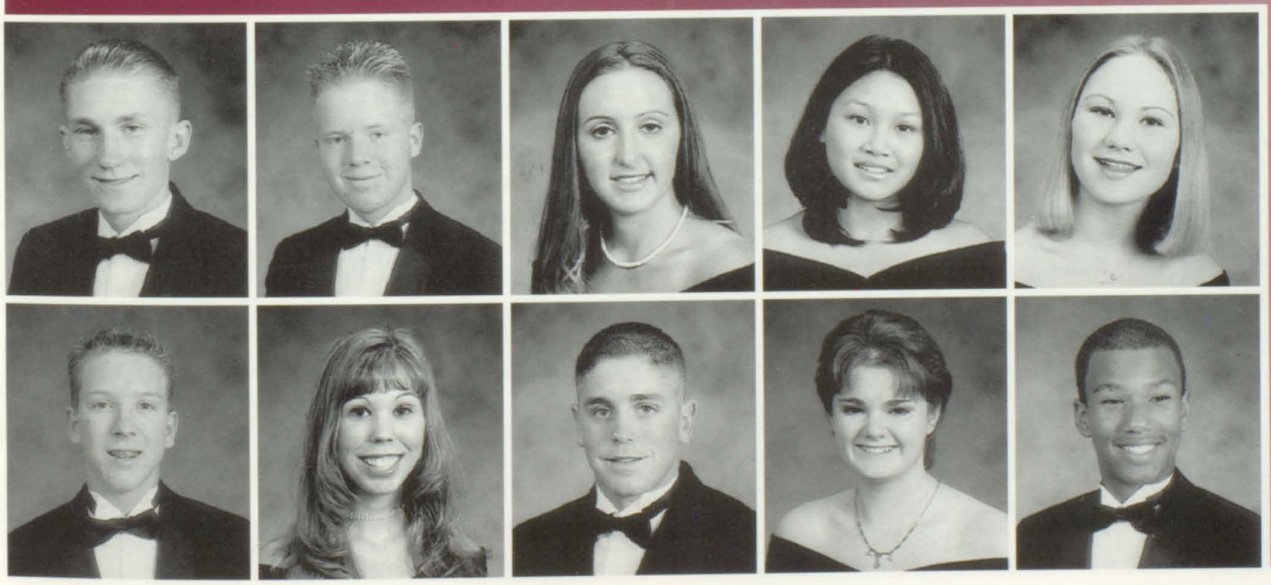
A picture of Bruce Lee watches over Matt Ritona when he sleeps. In the morning, however, Matt watches over Bruce.



Tina Le

Active during the school day, Anh Thai finds time in the evening to laze around on her bed. Lazing around, especially in her quiet, non-distracting room, was a perfect way to study calculus.

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Michael Hoppe
Sarah Hughes
Hannah Huntley
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Diana Huynh
Amber Hylton
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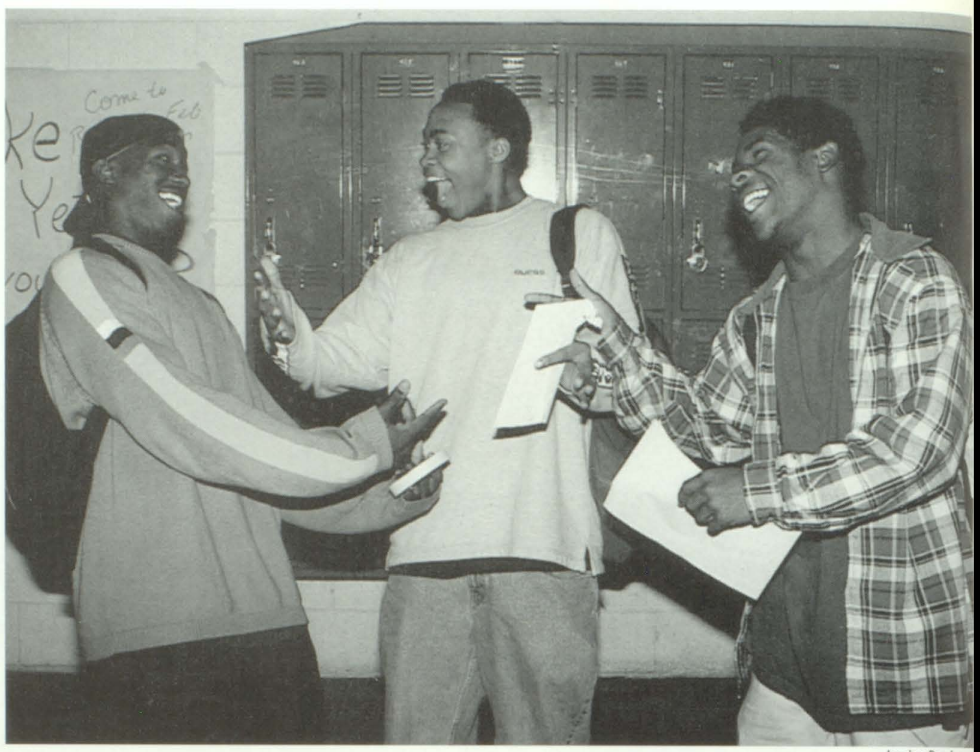
"I like hats. That's why they're all pinned up on my ceiling."

—Dallas Tringali

After playing a joke on Ryan Thomas, Bryce Taylor and Lewis Jackson reassure him that they were only kidding around with him. Growing up with each other for over half of their lives made Bryce and Lewis used to pulling off practical jokes with ease.

During lunch, Mark Walker and Mathew Gilbuena go over video game storyboards and concepts. The two had associated with each other through a mutual interest in video and computer games since elementary school.

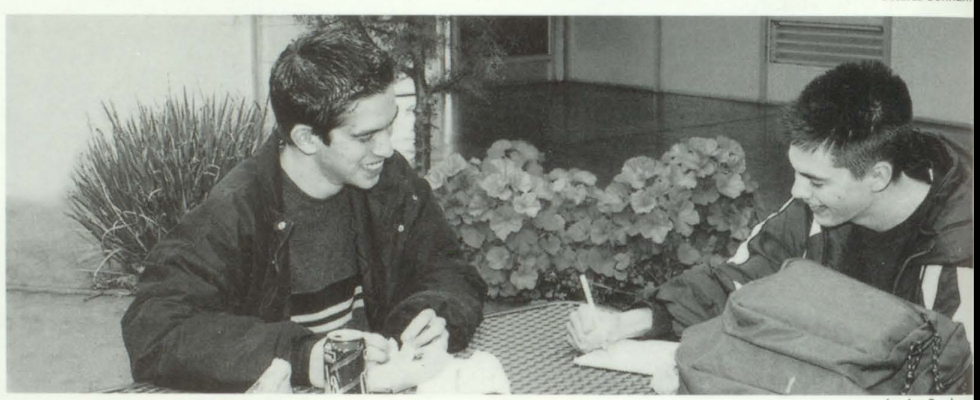
Discussing possible ideas for their next art project in Sculpture and Ceramics, Lea Meier and Jenna Flores point out sketches that reflect their personalities. As best friends, they always looked to one another for constructive criticism and an honest opinion.



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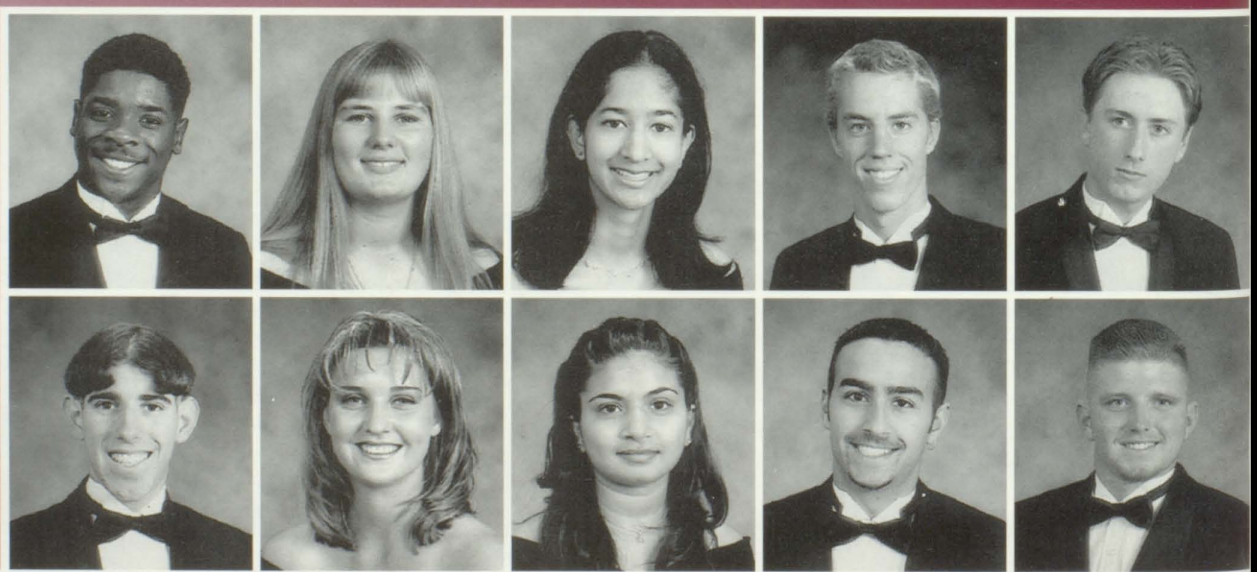
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Edgar Kendall
Nima Khanghahi

David Klitzing
Nicholas Krell



"I can always count on Lea for her good judgment and trustworthiness."

—Jenna Flores

SENIORS SHARE THEIR TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS IN THE ART OF MAKING, KEEPING AND VALUING THEIR FRIENDS

Friends... for better or for worse

For the seniors, friends came and went, but only a few people were deemed worthy of being called a true friend. They were there when you forgot to do the homework that was due that very day. They were the ones that stuck by you when you were having love troubles. They even shared all those inside jokes that no one else would laugh at with you.

Sometimes friendship bonds were so tight they remained strong even through the most turbulent times. La Rhonda Patterson and Melinda Steffen had been friends for over seven years. "One time we both liked this guy and I knew that he liked Melinda. Melinda knew that I liked him too, but in the end she turned him down for me. That's when I knew that she was a loyal friend," La Rhonda said.

Some seniors were close because of family ties. Cousins Bryce Taylor and Lewis Jackson were best friends because they found that they had the same sense of humor. The two were famous for teaming up and making everyday "Fool's Day" for their friends. "We always have different tricks up our sleeves and only we know how to interpret each other. Maybe it's in the blood," said Lewis.

One common reason why students became friends was that they shared the same interests. Mark Walker and Mathew Gilbuena found that they both had a inclination for Nintendo and computers. "Back at sixth grade, we made a computer game called *Spy Quest* for the school. We also tormented Mr. David Lee throughout our years at Irvington together," Mathew said.

Friends were people that were always dependable. Reliability was the basis for Jenna Flores' and Lea Meier's friendship. They met in American Studies as group members where they found that they were not only compatible, but responsible. "I can always count on Lea for her good judgment and trustworthiness," Jenna said. The seniors showed that even after four years at high school, they did not take their enduring friendships for granted.

by Jessica Bonham

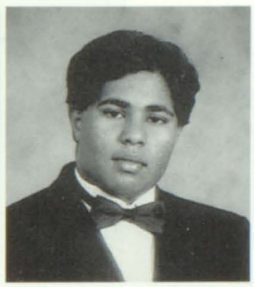


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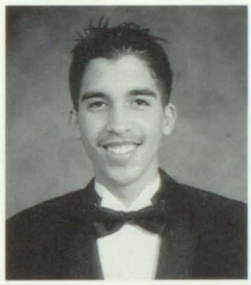
Pausing in the Courtyard, Melinda Steffen and La Rhonda Patterson discuss their favorite topic, boys. Their friendship had been tested several times, but they knew better than to abandon each other for guys, no matter what.



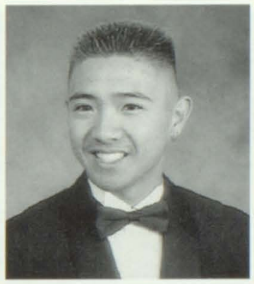
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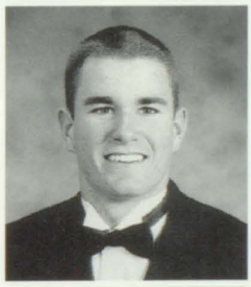
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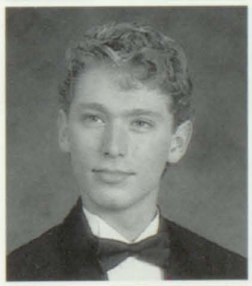
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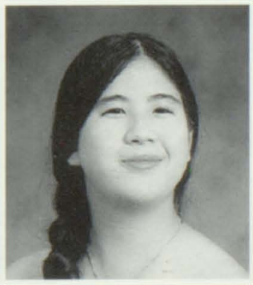
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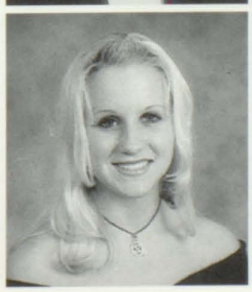
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John Lathbury



Amanda Lau



Jennifer Lau



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Diane Stendahl

Taking a break in his car, Eric Aguilar demonstrates one way to grab attention. By cranking up the volume on his car stereo, he hopes to get the ladies to notice him.

THESE STUDENTS GIVE LAWMAKERS A REASON TO MAKE LICENSES HARDER TO GET

Seniors drive themselves crazy

Students often saw the interiors of their cars more than their rooms. They often found themselves doing things not meant to be done in an automobile.

Waking up could be a hassle, especially when getting ready for school. There was rarely any time to wash up and fit in a nice hearty breakfast. But for Jordan Ritchie, it was a cinch. "Everyday, I get up and don't have time to shave and eat breakfast at home, so I go to McDonald's and order breakfast and take it with me while driving to school. While eating, I also shave with my portable razor."

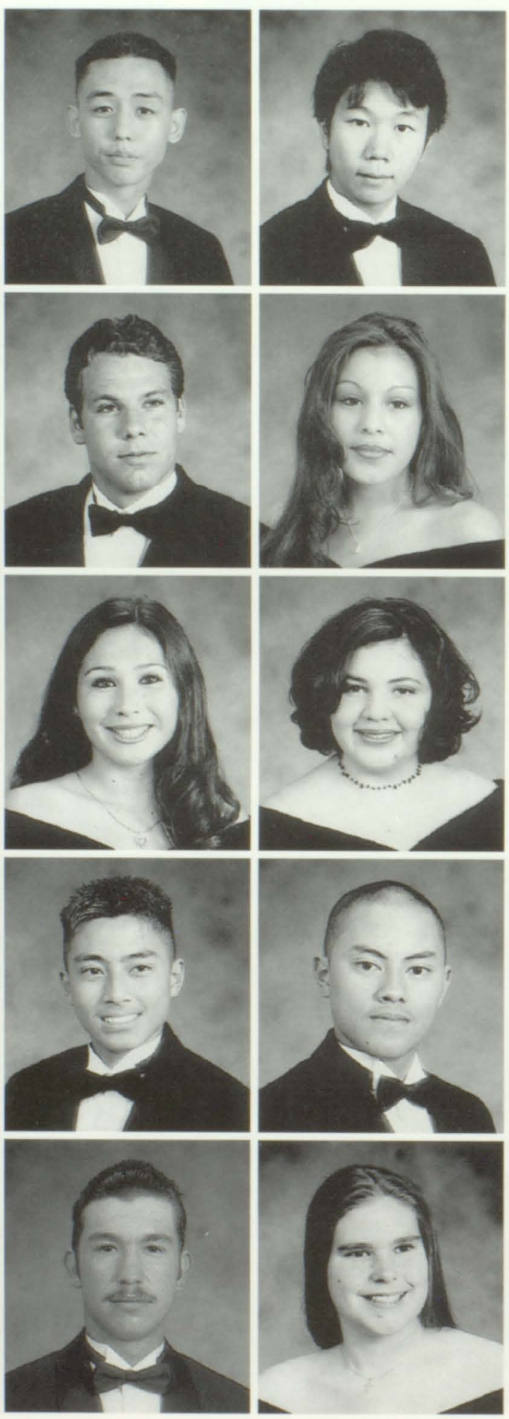
Face it, traffic jams, road construction, and many other road hazards could leave the driver frustrated and even bored. Many times when stuck, you catch yourself doing nothing but hum tunes or looking at others. But Sharon Ho decided to keep herself busy by staying in touch with her friends. "Whenever I get bored in traffic while driving, I decide to call my friends on my cell phone which passes the time."

Getting ready to go out on the night could be difficult. From school to homework it was hard to find time to get prepared. "I don't have time to get ready at home before I go out with my friends, and I always have to change my clothes and put on my makeup in the car whenever there's a stop sign or a red light," said Cassie Crowe.

Keeping his eyes on the road was hard for Eric Aguilar. Sometimes he would like to catch a glimpse of girls that passed by while driving. "One time I saw this real cute girl wearing a nice little top and I could not help but look at her. Then I almost ran through a stop sign and had to slam on the brakes. She heard the sound of the screeching tires and looked at me and laughed. So I felt real dumb and drove off."

While driving, many students found the need to occupy themselves by doing things besides keeping their eyes on the road.

by Diane Stendahl



Jason Lee
Ho-Kwan Leung

Ryan LoBue
Lorraine Lopez

Mystee Lopez
Lorena Lorenzana

David Lorenzo
John Lorenzo

Fernando Luna
Wendy Lundeen



Diane Stendahl

Talking to her friends at Mission High School, on her cell phone, Sharon Ho decides to find out how their day at school went. This was one way to cope with the long wait in the parking lot.

Sitting in her car at lunch, Lillian Nguyen decides to take a quick stretch with her friend Florideth Bustos. With such a small space in her car, she often stretched while driving with just about any arm or leg out of her car window.

Shaving on the go, Jordan Ritchie attempts to shave and drive at the same time. Getting rid of his five o' clock shadow in his car allows him to sleep for an additional 10 minutes.



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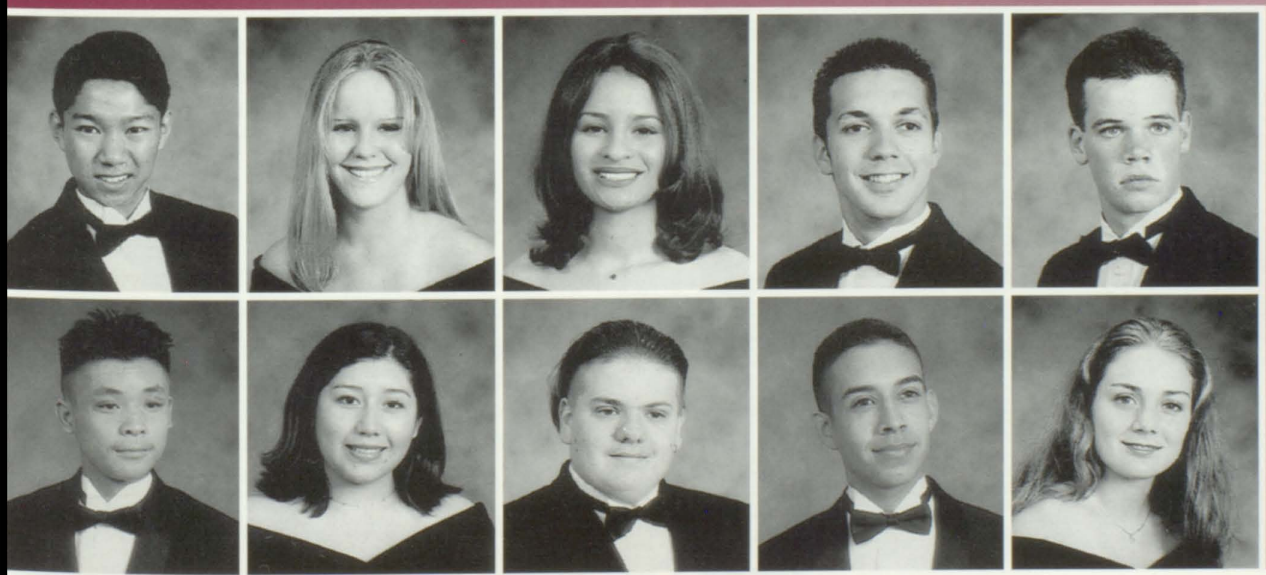
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Monica Mangel
Melissa Manjarrez

Norma Marrun
Chris Marshall

Joseph Martin
Arcenio Martinez

Jared Mathews
Colleen McAndrews



"I like to spend time in my car because it's one way to get away from it all."

—Cassie Crowe

On her royal throne in Mr. Arlen Delehoy's Computer Applications class, Sarah "Princess" Hughes learns how to use Windows programs. She acquired her nickname from a slightly dense waitress while out with her friends at Applebee's.



Aubrey St. Ma

Office assistant Typhena "Peanut" Mlay verifies scanners in the main office. Being small may have spawned endless "short" jokes for her, but it also was the source of her cute nickname.

Colleenie-Weenie McAndrews kneads clay in Ms. Susan Pate's Sculpture and Ceramics class. Her mom has called her "Weenie" since she was a kid, and her friends don't let her forget it.



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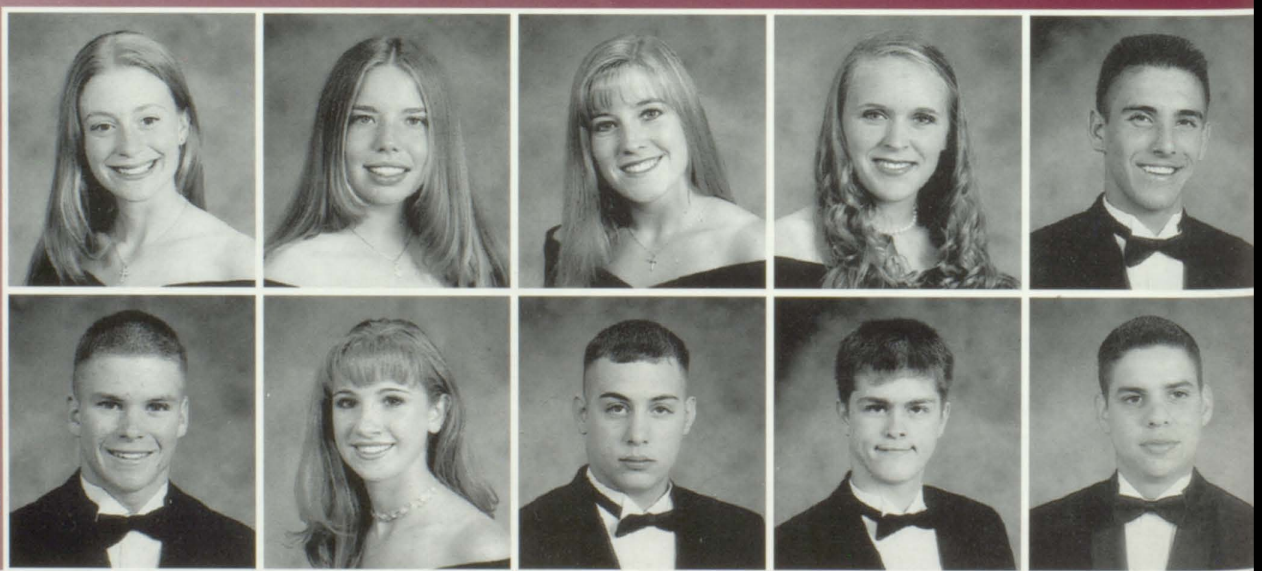
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Chris Miracle

"She was so unattractive, all I could say was 'Meesh!'"

—Alex Yupanqui



THE CLASS OF 2000 SHARES THEIR NICKNAMES AND THE STORIES BEHIND THEM

From here on you will refer to me as...



Aubrey St. Marie

Giving a hand in the teacher's room, Megan Tiner sorts out mail and other papers. She may have been known as a "Superchicken" around guys, but this was definitely one task she had total control over.

Shortie, Slick, Butthead. Seniors were not on the 10 Most Wanted List, but they definitely had special aliases to define their personalities.

● Ariege "Loza" Misherghi: "I was two years old and I had gone to a Chinese restaurant with my parents. I had just learned the Pledge of Allegiance, so when I saw the Chinese flag in the restaurant, I stood on a table and began saying the Pledge. My parents started saying, 'Loza! Loza!' 'Loza' means 'crazy' or 'nuts' in Arabic. ● Alex "Meesh" Yupanqui: "It was junior high. I was with Dallas Tringali and this really ugly girl walked by. She was so unattractive, all I could say was 'Meesh!' Dallas and I have called each other that ever since." ● Tryphena "Peanut" Mlay: "In 4th grade, Ms. Sheppard just decided I needed a nickname. Since I was small, she named me 'Peanut.' In 6th grade, everyone found out I was allergic to peanuts and were questioning my nickname." ● Kevin "KG" Ghahremani: "My nickname's 'KG,' after Kevin Garnett, the basketball player. Plus, KG are my initials." ● Sarah "Princess" Hughes: "Once, before a football game, my friends and I had gone to Applebee's. For some reason, my friends had called me Princess, and the waitress thought it was my real name! She was like, 'I like your name! It's so unique!'" ● Matthew "Rojo" Rojanakiathavorn: "Coach Strout had called my sister 'Rojo' when she was here, and it just got carried on to me." ● Megan "Superchicken" Tiner: "I'm really scared around guys—I'm a chicken. My friends added the 'Super' part on." ● Jolene "Ho" Austin: "In Spanish, J's are pronounced like H's, so people started calling me 'Holene.' Then it just got shortened to 'Ho.'" ● John "The Dork" Lathbury: "A good friend of mine, Briana, started calling me Dork when I was in first grade. It went on to high school, and if anyone asks my friends, they will tell you that I am 100% pure dork." ● Colleen "Weenie" McAndrews: "My mom has called me 'Colleenie-Weenie' since I was little—she still does. Now, everyone at work calls me that [and] it's so embarrassing!"

by Shilpa "Shilps" Andalkar



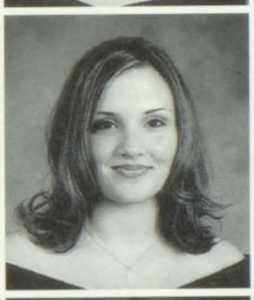
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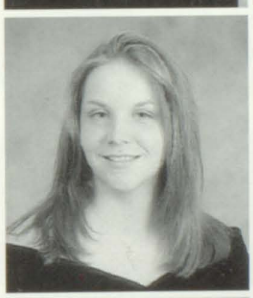
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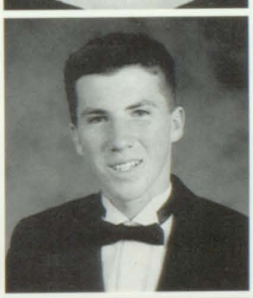
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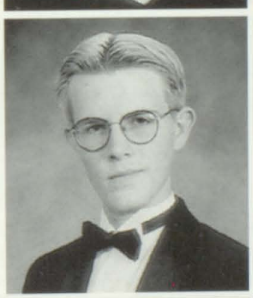
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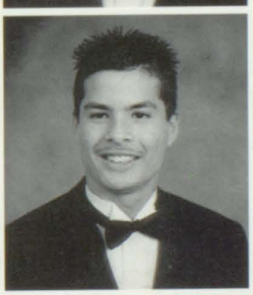
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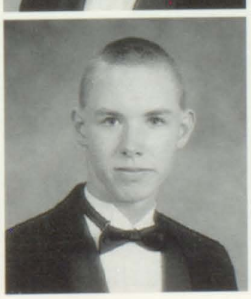
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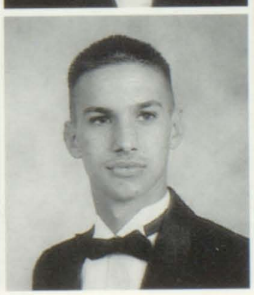
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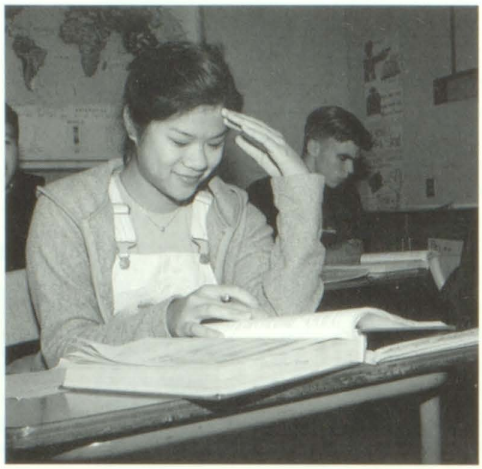
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Jordan Murillo

SENIORS REVEAL THE THINGS THAT REALLY TEMPT THEM

Play with fire and you'll get burnt

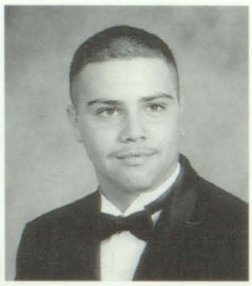


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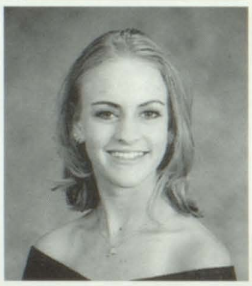
Using her time effectively, Lyly Nguyen studies from her Spanish book. Lyly's temptation was studying. No matter how hard she tried, Lyly could not bring herself to have fun unless she was completely done with her work.



Stacey Mutter



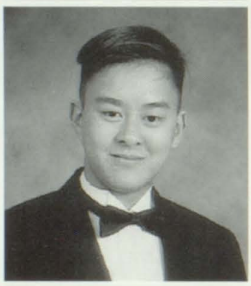
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Leslie Neesham



Jessica Neunzig



Khoa Nguyen



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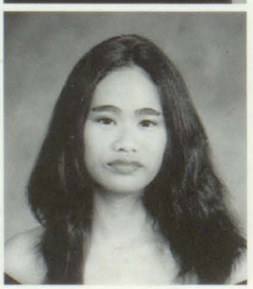
Laura Nielsen



Tanya Nieves



Christine Nisha



Richelle Nobles

"Oh, baby, oh, baby, oh! I want you, I want you now!" At some point our lives, we have all been tempted to do or have certain things. Some chose to give in while others had to force themselves to hold back.

Santiago Vaca's temptation was to organize the disorganized. He faced this temptation whenever he went to the store. "I would fix anything that was out of place despite my mother's pleas." While shopping in Lucky's, Santiago found the meat and cheese section in a disarray so he took the time out to fix everything in that section.

For Sam Dolan, the temptation was to use technology. "With assignments, I would use word processing to type them up even if the teacher told me not to." It only took one weekend for Sam to type up 240 pages for a role playing game.

Television has become a siren's call for Fletcher Wimbush. "On Super Bowl Sunday I tried to not watch TV, but I gave in because I really wanted to see the Super Bowl." No matter how hard he tried, Fletcher could not resist watching T.V.

Sometimes giving into the temptation meant facing consequences. There were times when Betty Wu was tempted to fib. "I was supposed to be at work, but I didn't go. I had lied to my parents about my whereabouts. When they actually checked my excuse, I got caught."

Absence makes the heart grow fonder. Jose Palacios was tempted to ask his old girlfriend out when he was dating someone else. "I just started thinking about her and then I started missing her." Luckily for Jose's sake, he chose to remain faithful.

Boredom was the reason that Katie Fowler was tempted to cut her classes. "Biology was so boring that it became very hard for me to stay awake in class," said Katie. She did not give in to the temptation because she didn't want to pay the price.

Depending on the situation, sometimes it's good and sometimes it's bad to give in to temptations. These seniors chose to make their own decisions.

by Amanda Lau



Amanda Lau

In the Courtyard, Brandon Nebel assesses a portion of his collection of CDs. He said that he was tempted to buy every good CD.

Before devouring a Hershey's Kiss, Amber Hylton takes a whiff of its heavenly smell. She admitted that if offered this delectable, she would not have the willpower to turn it down.

While working in Ceramics, both Ashkan Dorodyan and Lea Meier converse. Ashkan said that the temptation he was constantly giving into was talking to friends in class.



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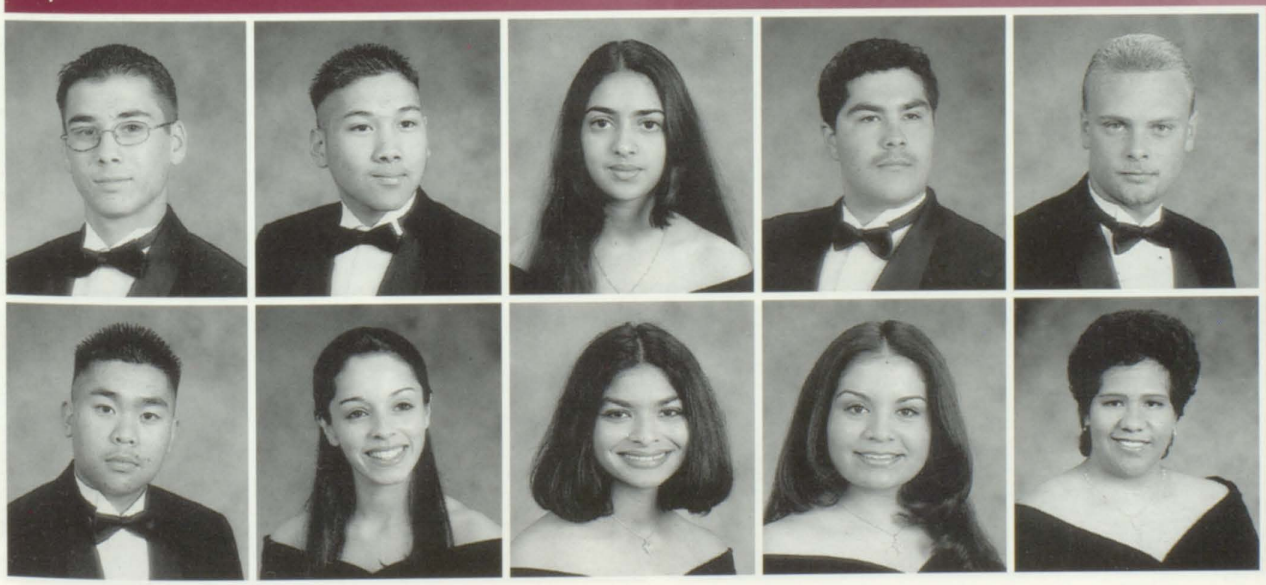
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"I would fix anything that was out of place despite my mother's pleas."

— Santiago Vaca

EVER HAVE AN EMBARRASSING MOMENT AND SUFFER FROM PUBLIC HUMILIATION?

Seniors survive some awkward moments



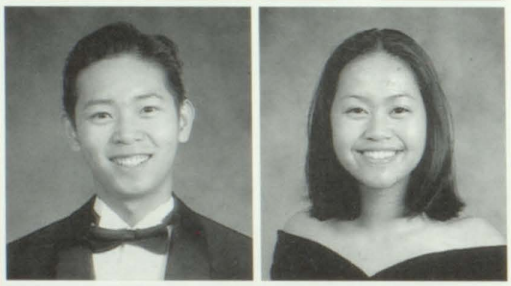
Parita Patel

Behind these bars, Anthony Solano remembers a time when his head got stuck between the railings of the stairs in his house. He vowed that he would stay behind railings or in front of them, but not in between them.



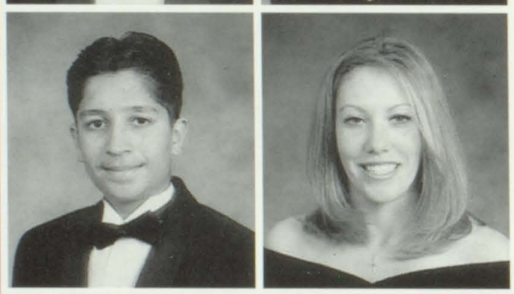
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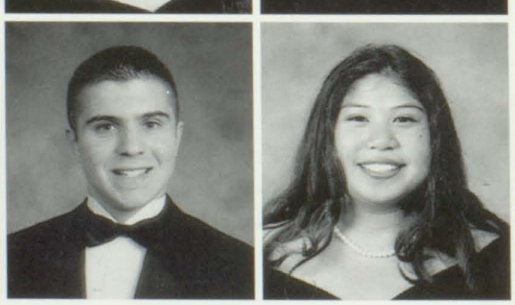
Varinder Phangureh

Nichole Phillips



Dawn Pino

Amanda Pitman



Justin Pope

Viradel Porciuncula

It could be traumatic having to experience public humiliation. These were times that had everybody wanting to crawl into a hole and never come out.

People who suffered public humiliation usually made efforts to block out that particular memory, but some looked back and laughed about it. Colleen McAndrews recalled an embarrassing weekend at a lake with some friends. "I went inner tubing on the lake. I fell off and started doing cartwheels in the water. When my friends came around in the boat laughing, I didn't realize what happened until I saw that my cousin had both the top and bottom of my bathing suit," said Colleen, red-faced.

Feeling that things could not possibly get any worse than they already were, they usually did. Reluctant at first, Lorena Lorenzana shared her nightmare of an experience. "I was driving to school in a hurry. It was foggy that morning so I couldn't see that well. The car in front of me was going really, really slow, and I thought that I would be late if I did not pass that car. As I started to merge into the other lane, a car suddenly pulled up beside my car and swerved into the bike lane. Before I knew it, there were three cars in a two lanes. It took me awhile to finally pass up both cars. It was so embarrassing because both cars didn't stop honking their horns until I finally turned into the school parking lot."

Anyone could be a victim of a mortifying situation. Remembering a horrible accident, Anthony Solano confessed his experience. "When I was at home one time and I was running up the stairs, I must have tripped or something because the next thing I knew was that my head got stuck between the railings of the stairs. I never experienced so much humiliation. My dad had to break the rails to get me out," he said.

Everyone experienced humiliating moments, but they were not considered traumatic unless they were experienced in front of people.

by Richelle Nobles



Parita Patel

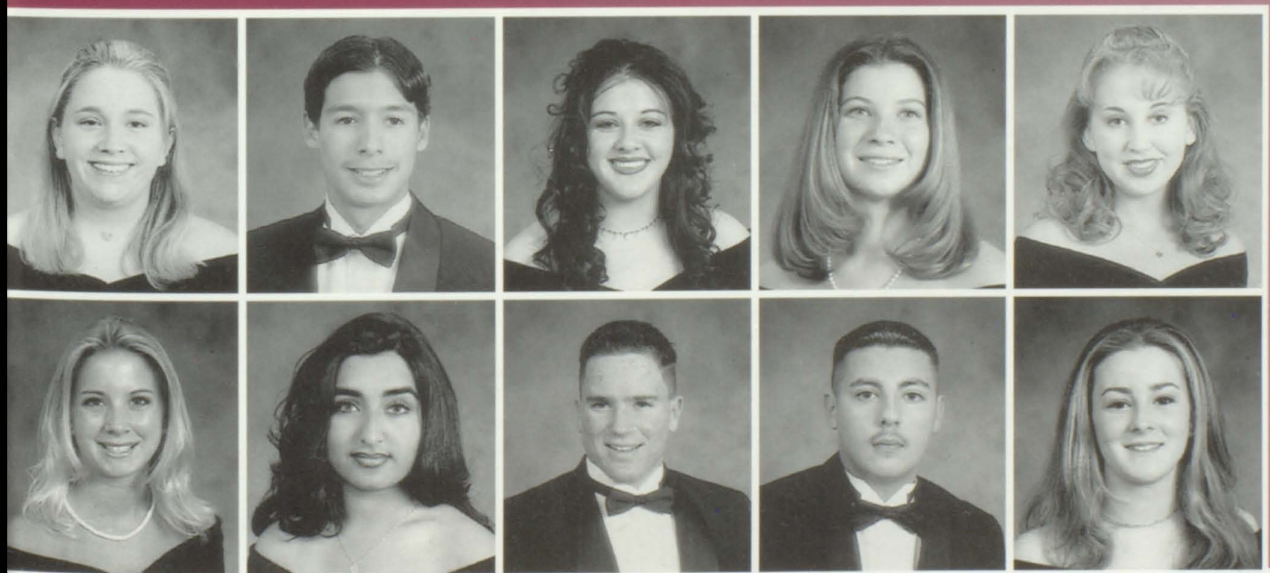
Pulling out of the Horseshoe, Lorena Lorenzana makes sure that she looks at her blindspots. She is regulary reminded of her driving ordeal on the way to school.

Working in art class, Hema Swami remembers about an awkward moment she had going to school. "I didn't realize I went to school with an underwear clinging on to the bottom of my pants until someone passed me a note in class."



Jessica Neunzig

Brenna Prevost
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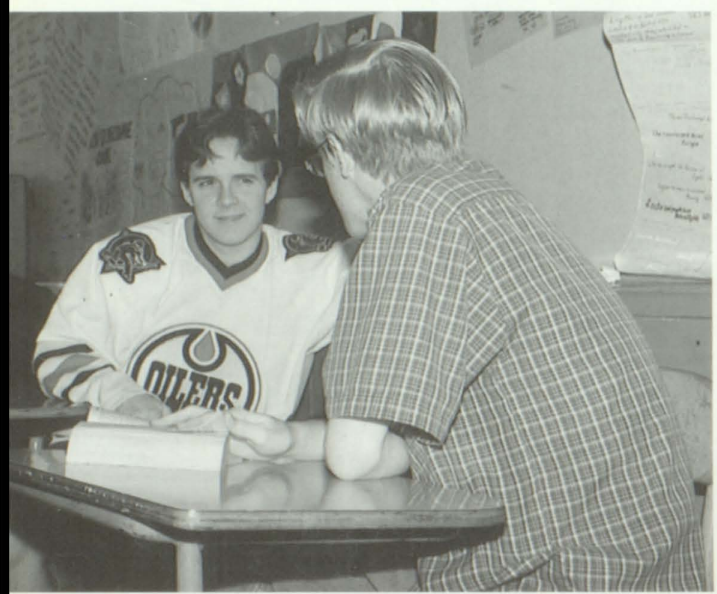


"I saw that my cousin had both the top and the bottom of my bathing suit."

— Colleen McAndrews

Kiddie icon Chuck E. Cheese hugs Angelina Aldama. Angelina worked at Chuck E. Cheese to earn some cash despite the numerous crowds of rambunctious children.

Out of costume, Matt Hebb awaits the two dollars still owed by his friend. Matt did not regret dressing in drag to win a bet.



Jason Chan

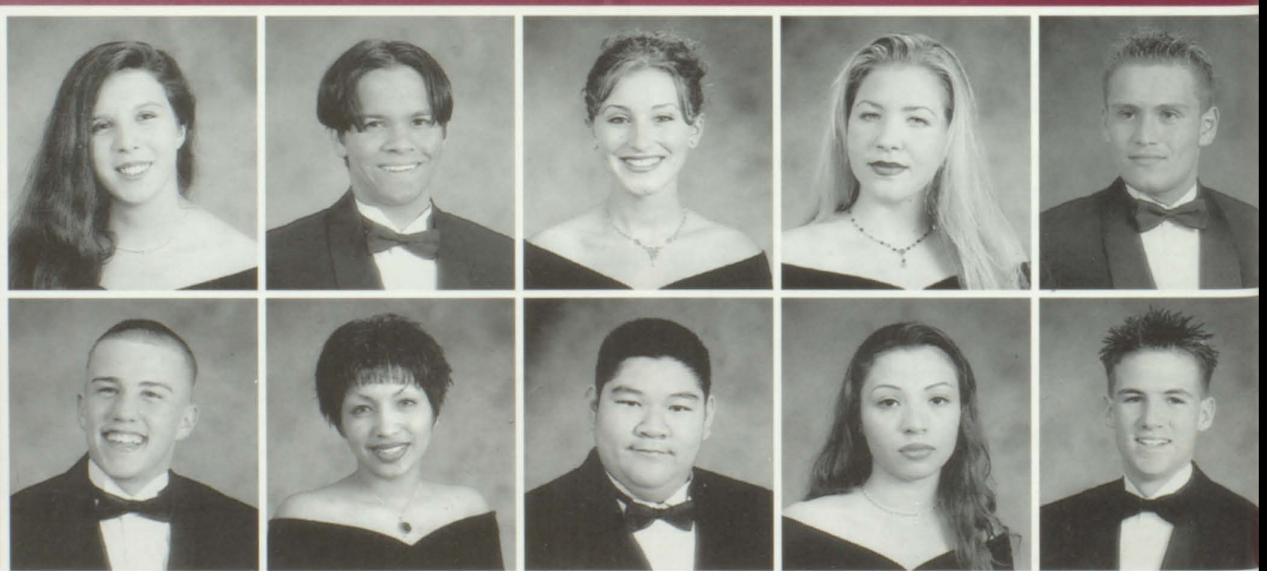


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"I felt really silly while I was doing it and my feet hurt."

—Kati Hirigoyen



A STRONG LOVE OF MONEY LEADS SENIORS TO DO JUST ABOUT ANYTHING FOR A BUCK.

Mo' money, no problems

Money made the world go 'round and it could not be denied that most people would find themselves more comfortable with a little more cash in their pockets. Some seniors found they could earn cash in less than conventional ways.

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At Chuck E. Cheese's, the real test for Angelina Aldama came when it was time to wear the infamous mouse suit. She took a vow of silence before being enclosed inside the hot, cramped and awkward costume. One time a mob of hyperactive kids attacked her in the fuzzy cartoony mouse suit. "They wanted to beat up Chuck E. I wanted to laugh, but I couldn't," said Angelina.

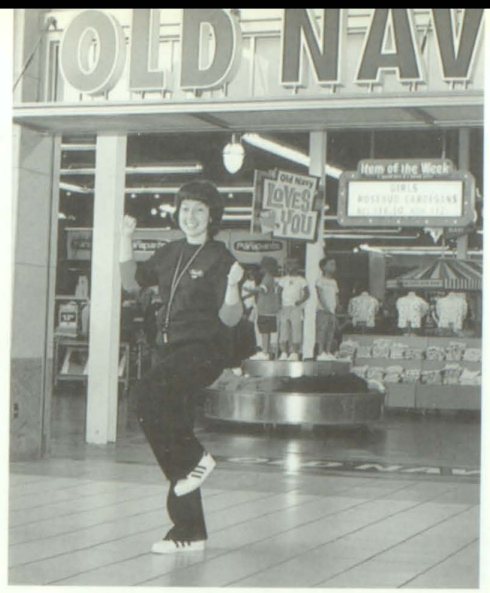
Shopping in San Francisco at Powell and Market, Jenilee Gomez and Olivia Totten were just kickin' it. After shopping and lunch, they encountered a mime with silver make-up using music in his act. The music incited the friends to unleash a few break dancing moves as a cup left aside on the ground escaped their attention. Within 10 minutes, pedestrians left donations of change and bills into the accidentally well-placed cup. The $10 went into more food. "It was dope and maybe it can be a lifetime career... just kidding," said Jenilee, dubbing their dance group B-syde. "It was a fun experience. B-syde will be dancing again," said Olivia.

Trendy clothes and strange commercials from Old Navy grabbed the attention of teens. Katherine Hirigoyen found that working at Old Navy was an attention-grabbing experience. During the official markdown week, Kati was assigned to the storefront to dance her little heart out. Her ensemble would not have been complete without her holding a sign announcing "Markdown Madness." "I felt really silly while I was doing it and my feet hurt," said Kati.

Matt Hebb found that two dollars was worth wearing a dress reminiscent of Queen Elizabeth I. For extra credit on a world history project, one had to dress as the person they were studying. A friend bet Matt to arrive to class dressed as the queen. The "drag queen queen" agreed to come to class fully attired, and to sweeten the deal a dollar more, his friend then dared Matt to walk into Mr. Spain's class and give the unsuspecting teacher a high five. To retain his good name Matt said, "I don't normally wear a dress, unless it's for money."

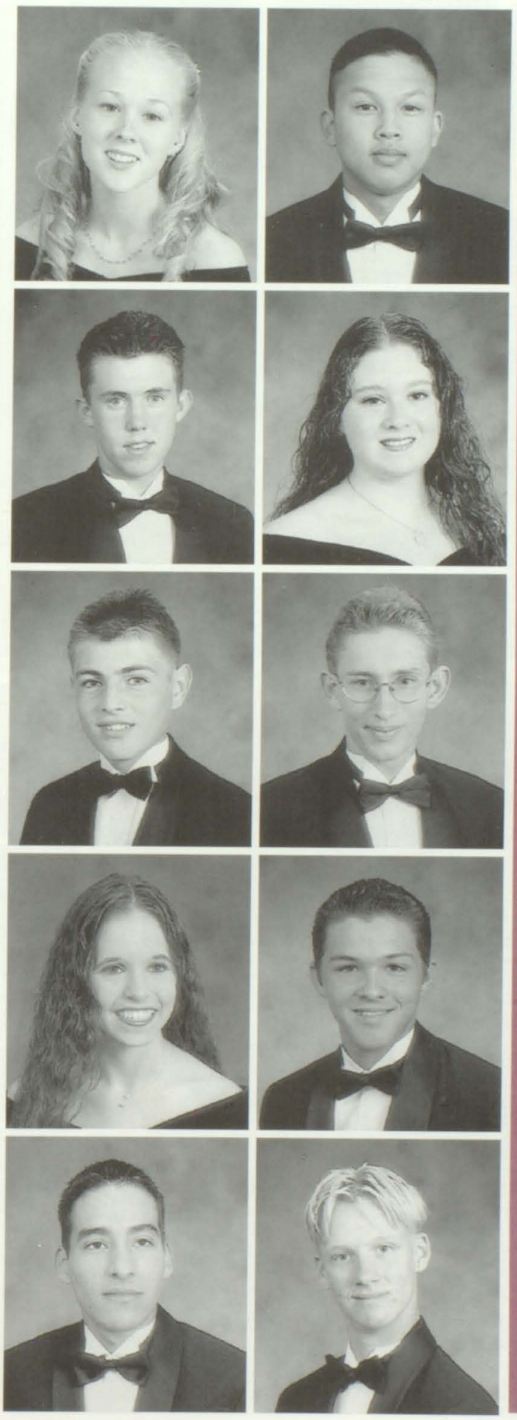
Exchanging a little pride for money was acceptable in the eyes of these seniors.

by Jason Chan



Jason Chan

Dancing one step at a time, Katherine Hirigoyen grooves to imaginary tunes. Kati drew the attention of passing customers for Old Navy's "Markdown Madness" sale, all for pay by the hour.



Colleen Sanchez
Jonathan Santiago

Brent Schrodetzki
Marci Schumaker

Evgeny Sheyman
Matthew Silvera

Carrie Smith
Vernon Smith

Anthony Solano
Jeremy Sommers

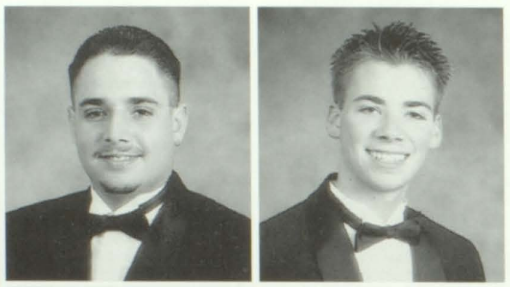
DURING THE WEEK, SCHOOL IS THEIR PRIORITY, BUT SENIORS CLAIM THE WEEKEND

Are you kidding, it is Monday already?



Ann Lan

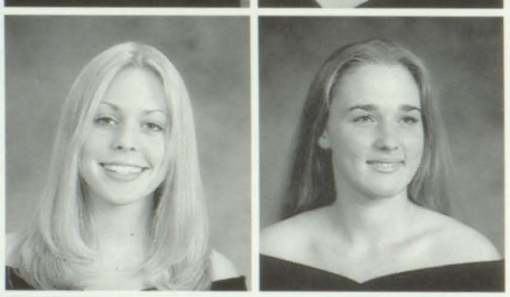
Teaching tennis at the Fremont Tennis Center is the perfect job for Erik Bryant. His weekend job helped him pay for the improvements on his precious Mustang.



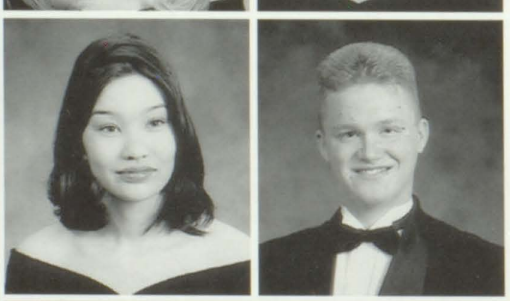
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Brian Sothcott



Melissa Spitzenberger
Aubrey St. Marie



Heather Steadman
Melinda Steffen



Diane Stendahl
Todd Stilwell



Michelle Suarez
Shannon Sullivant

A test on Monday, QUEST on Tuesday, lecture on Wednesday, and an essay on Friday. Students did so much during the week and it was no wonder that they always looked forward to the two-day vacation called the weekend.

Dollar signs were all that Erik Bryant wanted in his future. He worked at the Fremont Tennis Center behind the desk and out on the courts. "I'm saving up to fix and improve my Ford Mustang," he said. Money always was on his mind because "Without it I will have to drive with my face fully covered."

"When school gets tough, grab a microphone," said Jolene Austin. She went to Guido's Pizza every Saturday for their karaoke night. "I go because I really like to sing and make a fool out of myself," she said. "At school we talk about QUEST, during the weekend we can talk about anything."

Lake Elizabeth was the best place for Juanita Cruz to take her morning runs. "When I run it helps me clear my head," she said. But running was for more than just stress relief. "I want to be healthy and look good for the senior trip to Cancun," she said.

Nicole McNeil trained her Labrador, Jon, how to be the perfect guide dog. "It will be sad when I have to give him away," she said, "but I know that what I have done was never to benefit me." She went to the headquarters of Guide Dogs for the Blind to participate in the dog training programs that were held every Saturday.

A quick game of pool always helped Ryan Tornio enjoy the weekend. He often went to play pool at The Entertainer in Newark. "It's a game of skill and challenge and I like the challenge," he said. These trips were important because they gave him a chance to concentrate more on himself than on school.

Whether it was the never-ending asphalt of Lake Elizabeth, the cha-ching of the cash register, or the barking of dogs, seniors learned to forget last week and not worry about the next barrage of tedious classes.

by Kurt del Rosario



Kurt del Rosario

Jogging around her neighborhood, Juanita Cruz ensures her health. Her jogs take her over all Fremont, and they take up most of her precious weekend.



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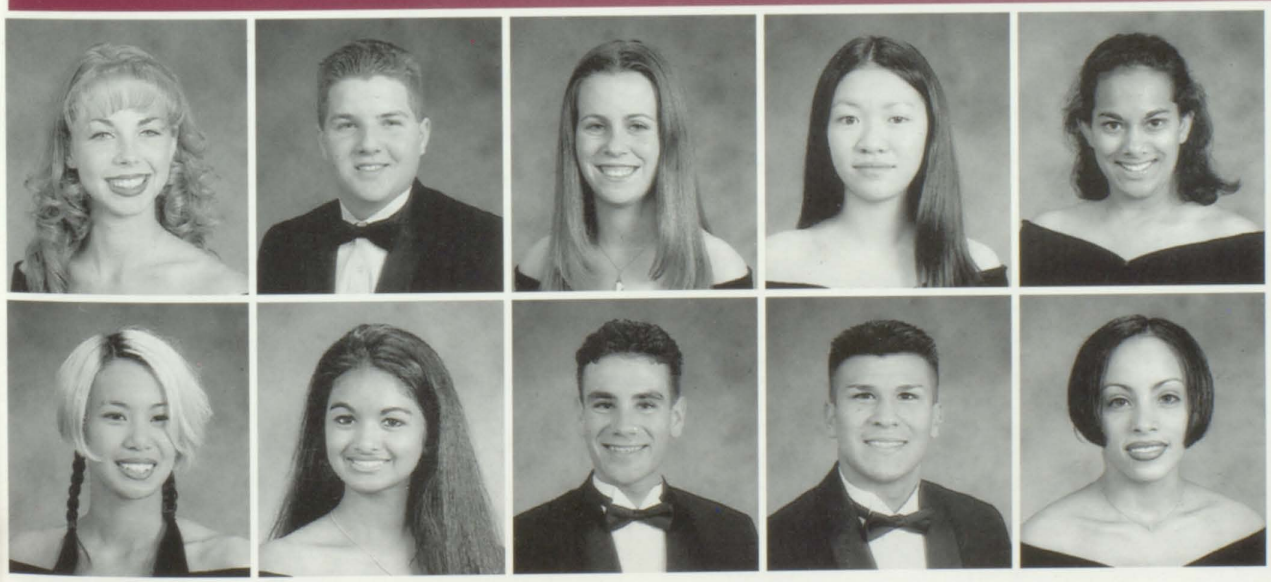
Jolene Austin showcases her vocal talent at Guido's Pizza. These weekend trips helped her forget about her worries.

Guide Dogs for the Blind provides training for Nicole McNeil and her dog Jon. This was a necessary part of Jon's training.



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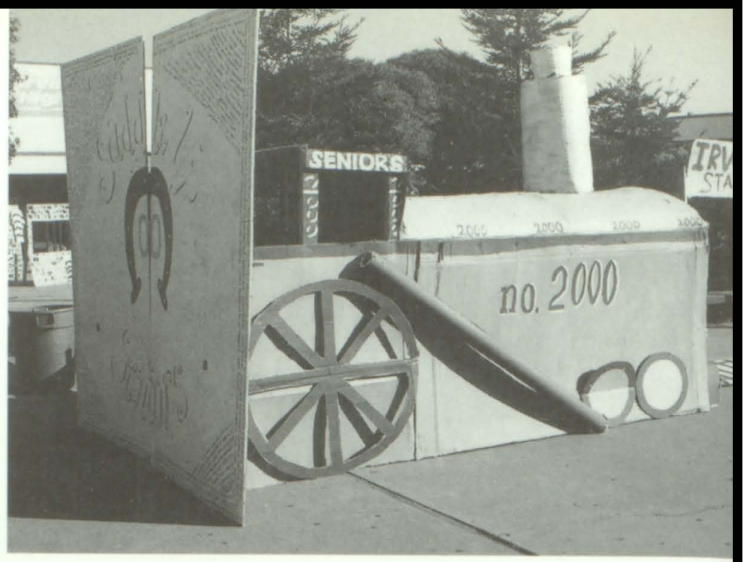
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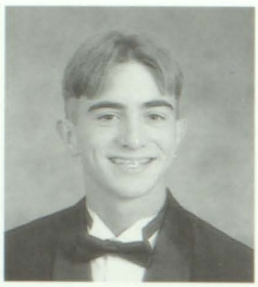
—Jolene Austin

At the entrance to the seniors' bench area stood the locomotive with its "Saddle Up Seniors" sign. Class President Patrick Morris built the train, while Olivia Totten painted it. Class Vice-President Laura Nielsen designed and completed the sign.



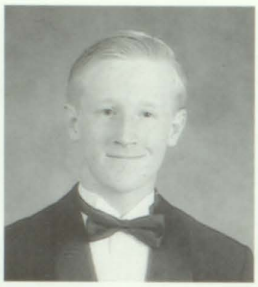
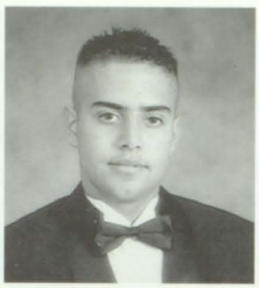
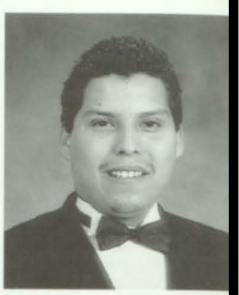
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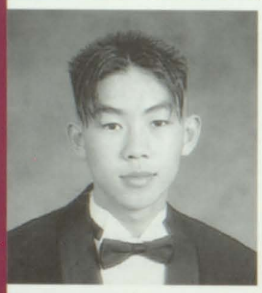



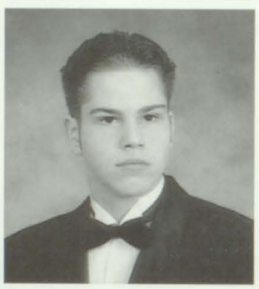
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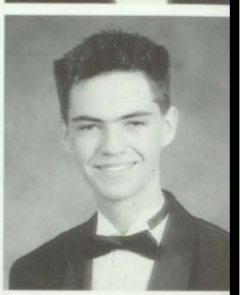


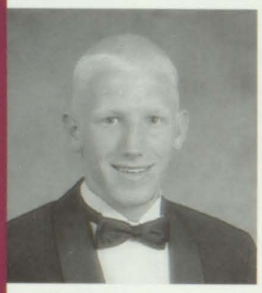
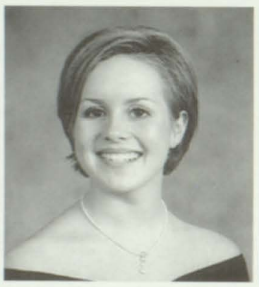
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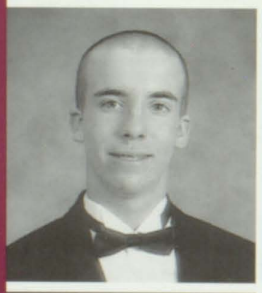
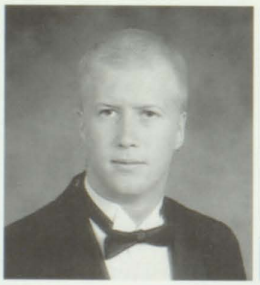


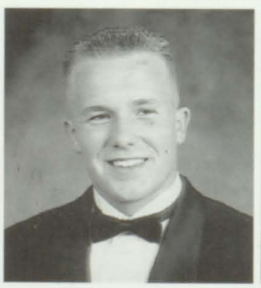
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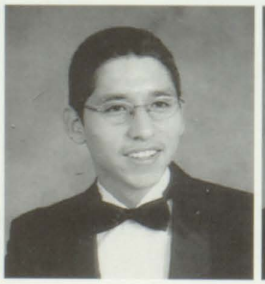
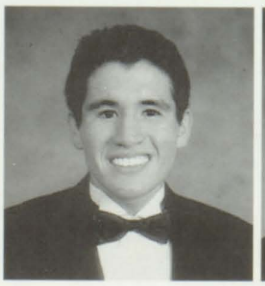
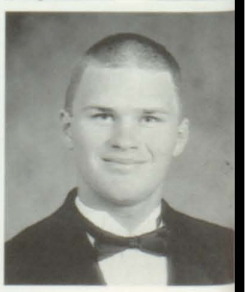

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THE SENIOR CLASS COUNCIL WORKS TOGETHER TO LEAVE LASTING MEMORIES FOR THE CLASS OF 2000

Making their last year a time to remember

Gearing up for their last year at IHS, the Senior Class Council worked together to leave a standing legacy at Irvington, along with memories that the Class of 2000 would cherish forever.

The Senior Class Council kicked off the beginning of the year with one of their most important duties—the planning and execution of Spirit Week. Everyone's input and opinions were important in choosing dress-up days, preparing people for lunch-time games, and publicizing events such as bench-building. The goal of the council during Spirit Week, most importantly, was to instill in all seniors—involved or not, the desire to win the Triple Crown. Senior Class Vice-President Laura Nielsen took on the bulk of the duties in organizing the bench-building, even to the extent of offering her house as a workshop/ warehouse.

The Senior Council's other primary goal was fund-raising. The decision to hold the Senior Ball at the Sheraton Palace in San Francisco was a costly one, but one well worth the money. Laura said, "It's a lot harder than you think it is, from getting the place to hold Senior Ball to actually making it all happen when you want it to. But things are going great and it's going to be the best."

In order to make the evening of elegance more affordable, the council began planning fund-raisers a year in advance. The council held two carwashes, candy sales, candy gram sales, fashion shows, the Senioritis talent show, and T-shirt sales. Some events were more successful than others. One carwash started off with only three workers including Mr. Mark Zeljak, class adviser. Britney Petrini organized the Senior Fashion Show (formerly the Senior Auction) which brought in a fair amount of money. In total, the fund-raising lowered the cost of the Senior Ball by 25%.

The Senior Class Council worked extremely hard all year to make their last year the best it could be. But still after all the hard work, dedication and lunch-time sacrifices, the only way real way to gauge their success was the wealth of memories the Class of 2000 took away with them.

by Shilpa Andalkar, Tina Le and Patrick Morris

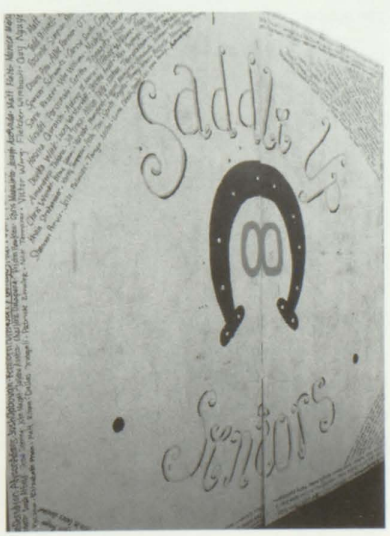
Senior Class Council. Front row: Craig Thayer, Senior Trip; Matt Clark, Service; Patrick Morris, President; Lewis Jackson, Spirit; Brian Sothcott, Senioritis. **Second row:** Claudia Pasahan-Vila, F.A.C.; Amanda Vick, Publicity; Jillian Doying, Senioritis; Jenna Flores, Senior Ball; Melissa Spitzenberger, Senior Ball; Ariege Misherghi, Fund-raising. **Back row:** Parita Patel, P.R.; Laura Nielsen, Vice-President; **Not Pictured:** Tina Le, Secretary



Scott White



M.E. Roman



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As part of the "Saddle Up, Seniors" Spirit Week bench, the seniors provide their own "Boot Hill" in the form of the Senior Cemetary. To one side sits the Irv Town train station for their locomotive and on the other side rests a row of covered wagons. Vice-President Laura Nielsen spent the summer of 1999 planning the various parts of the bench.

In tribute to the members of the Class of 2000, the entrance to the seniors' bench displays the names of the more than 300 students of the graduating class. The horseshoe good luck symbol brought the seniors not only first place in the bench but also the Triple Crown for Spirit Week itself.

Every senior is special, but some stand out among the rest

Senior

Most Successful



"Success is not about being the smartest; it solely depends on your determination and drive to bring it alive."

—Nikki Berry

"I've been blessed with so many things in life, why wouldn't I want to seize every opportunity?"

—Steven Fan

Most Athletic



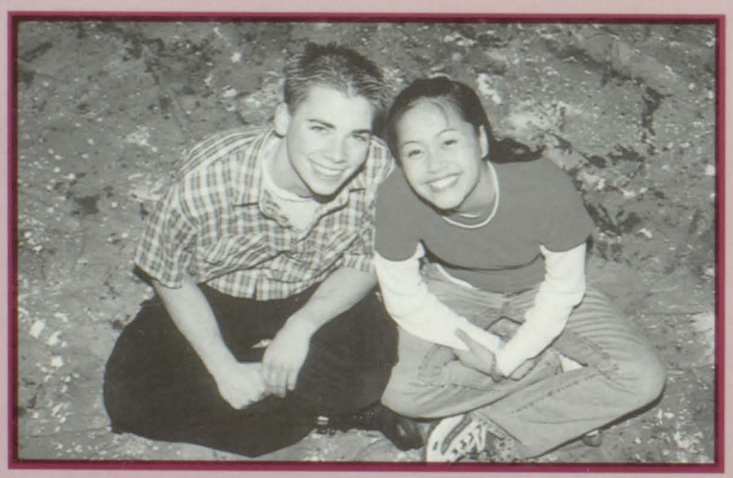
"Amanda taught me everything."

—Laura Nielsen

"I just thought that being athletic would impress the ladies... then again, no one ever said jocks were good at thinking."

—Sean McGuire

Friendliest



"I figure if I'm friendly enough, people won't realize how anti-social I am."

—Brian Sothcott

"So... you wanna be our friend? No, really... do you want to?"

—Elizabeth Phan

Kid at Heart



"Hey, I'm not only a kid at heart but I'm a kid at size."

—Jennilee Gomez

"I' got five gumballs today."

—Brent Shrodetszki

Favorites

Best Dressed



"I swear... it's K'mart!"

—*Marvin Fontanilla*

"I borrowed these clothes from Marvin! Every piece of clothing! SSSHHH!"

—*Miriam Carvalho*

Most Artistic



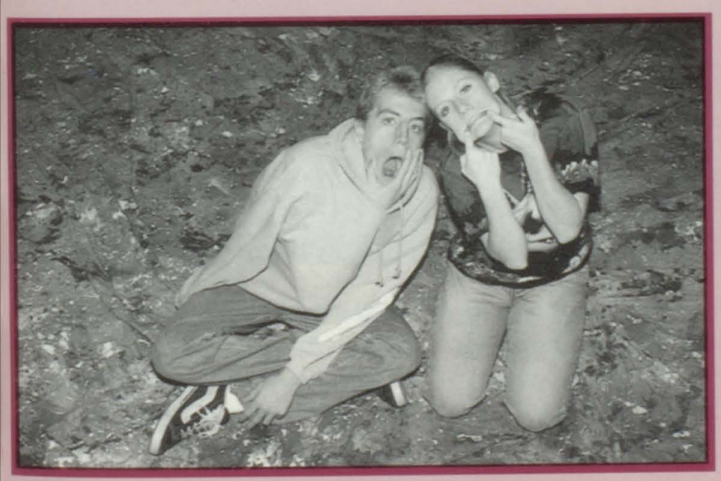
"My friends inspire me, my family inspires me, my teachers inspire me, midgets & monkeys inspire me. Call me Mr. Sexy Buns."

—*Matthew Hebb*

"Shannon does my art, Thomas dresses me, and Chris' bass playing inspires me."

—*Hannah Huntley*

Funniest



"Trees are made of wood, and Oklahoma is okay!"

—*Gene Kendall*

"What did the lamp say to the watermelon? I seed you! Comedian since age 1."

—*Sam Follett*

Most Talkative



"I don't think of it as gossip. I think of it as current events, and Heather Steadman is always first to be informed. *Stallion Style*."

—*Katherine Griffith*

"Talking is a skill which I am still trying to perfect."

—*Jordan Ritchie*

Academic Top 10

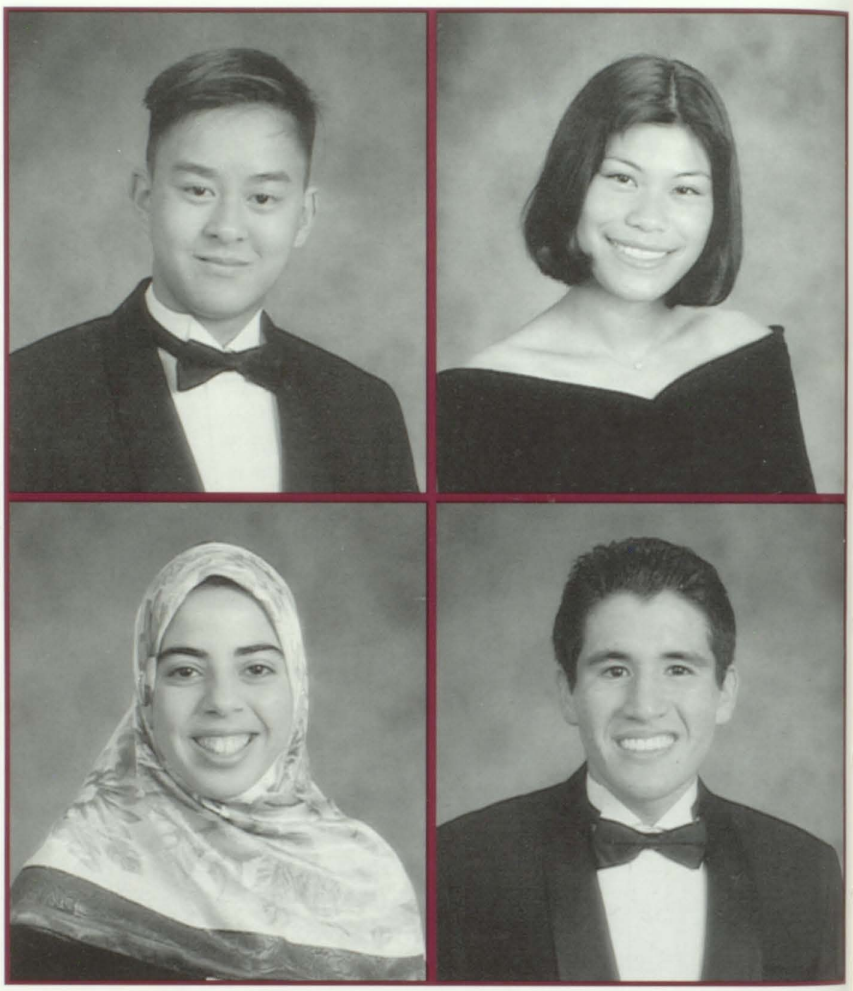
Seniors who strive for success earn Top Ten honors

"The best way to relieve stress is to break things. I prefer necks."

—Khoa Nguyen

"The secret to my success huh? You see... I slipped a little something into people's drinks, but I didn't quite get to the other nine people on the list..."

—Carolyn Feng



"The key to my success is my faith in God, [and] a lot of support from my family, parents and friends that really helped a lot."

—Ariege Misherghi

"If there's anything I've noticed about the mind, it's that every time I learn something new, it pushes something old out of my brain."

—Alex M. Yupanqui

"Well, the secret to my success is basically having a balance of working hard and having fun so you don't get overloaded."

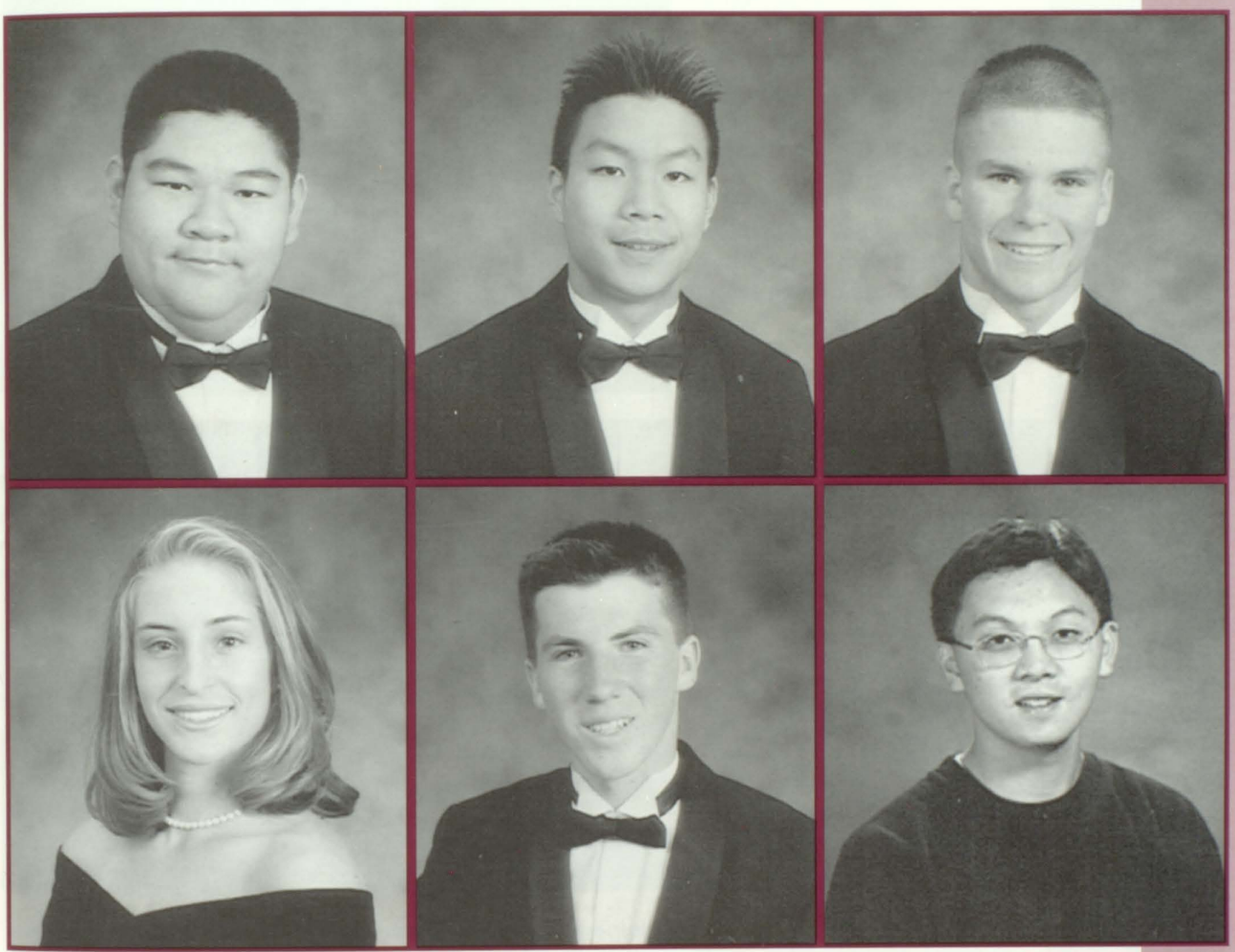
—Matthew Rojanakiathavorn

"First of all, I just want to say that success doesn't come from being smart. It's all about how hard you work and your determination to achieve your goals. But since I was always lazy, I think the best way to succeed is to whine to your teachers as much as possible."

—Steven Fan

"When I was little, I used to get Nintendo games for getting good grades. Now it's expected of me. It was all a clever trap. I'm the stupidest smart guy I know."

—Sean McGuire



"I gave up sleep years ago. 3:00 a.m. is my best friend. More than anything though, I have to give credit to my dad who never let me fail."

—Katherine Griffith

"The key to my success has always been a quasi-latent desire for world domination."

—Patrick Morris

"The key to my success lies on my teachers' pity. I break down on my knees and cry when I fail."

—Thang Pham

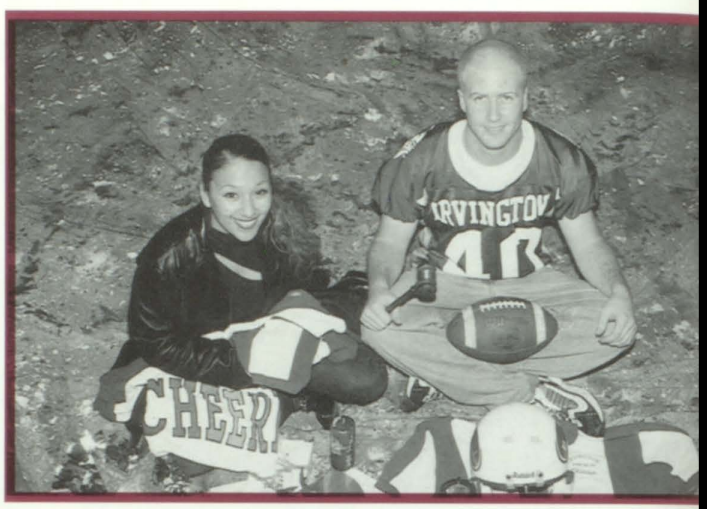
Viking

"I guess I wanted to show off what a great school Irvington is, along with other students. Honestly... the more I heard people degrade our school, the more I wanted to prove them wrong! Besides... the more you get involved, the more memories you'll get to keep forever."

—Miriam Carvalho

"Irvington has done so much for me that any little thing I can give back has been my pleasure!"

—Fletcher Wimbush





Awards honor seniors' service to school and community

"Helping others was always an instilled trait that I had in my personality. So, during my four years at IHS, I contributed my time doing the things I love."

—Marvin Fontanilla

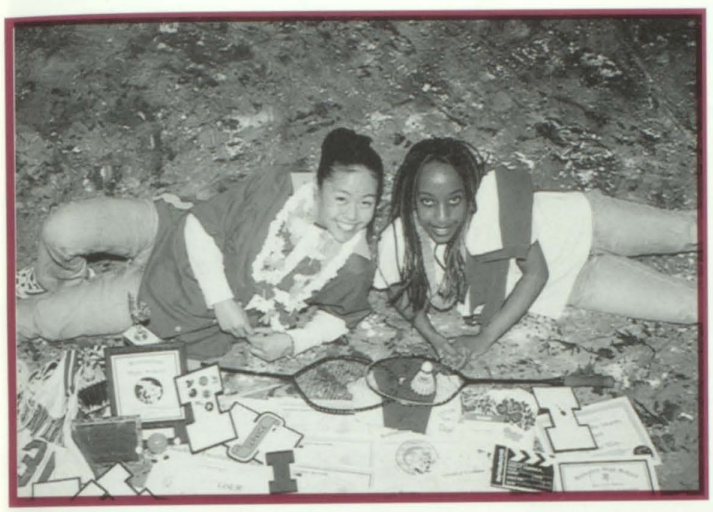
"I never participated in IHS activities expecting recognition. I just found activities that interested me and tried to take them to the next level, especially when I was told I didn't have time or couldn't handle it. I love a challenge!"

—Katherine Griffith

"I never really thought of why I did it.... just that there was something to be done and so why not do it? Thank you IHS for keeping me busy doing what I love!"

—Carolyn Feng

Awards

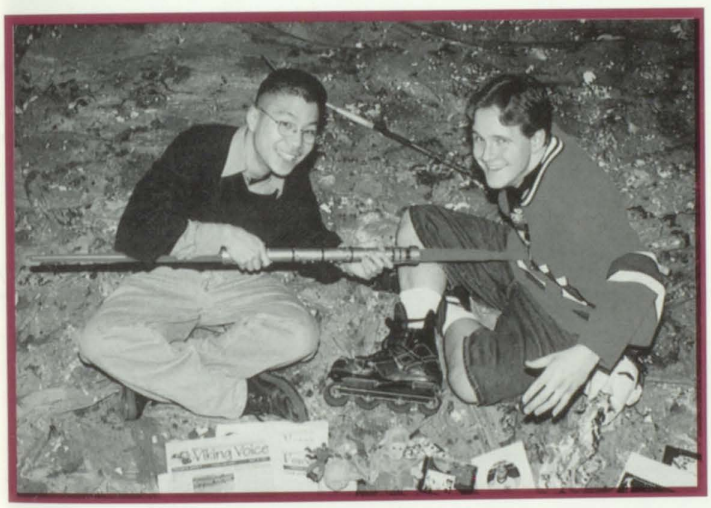


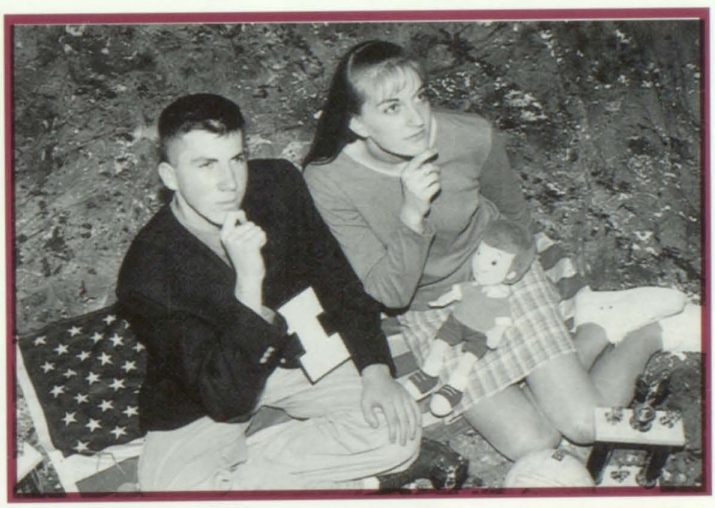
"Addicted to IHS? Nah! The clubs let me meet the boys, sports prepared me to run across the country, shoot hoops and chase birds. ASB let me do flips in the rally as I tumbled throughout high school. Service? I was bored for... Oh, say 1,024 hours... very productive!"

—Elizabeth Phan

"I've always wanted to be involved in the school with dances and rallies, but it turned out being on ASB gave me the opportunity to not only help the school, but also the community."

—Tryphena Mlay





"I really enjoyed working with the students and teachers at Irvington. Lots of other people look down at Irvington. I just tried my best to change their perceptions and make the school the best it could be."

—Steven Fan

"These past four years have been among the best years of my life. I've had my wins and losses, my ups and downs. I would like to thank my friends, family and the teachers who pushed me to do my best. My only regret was that I didn't make the Varsity Cheerleading Squad... ."

—Matthew Hebb

"Until I got this award, I never realized what an impact I had here at Irvington. I always just did what seemed like fun. I'm just glad my time made a difference. Who am I kidding? I knew I could get it on looks alone!"

—Patrick Morris

"Irvington has done so much for me than I have for it. Thanks for the memories."

—Laura Nielsen

During Mr. Alex Lee's chemistry class, Jessica Stryczek and Gisel Calvillo work on a lab. They turned a penny into different colors to show evidence of chemical reactions.

Preparing for their We the People U.S. Constitution competition Wendy Lundeen, Ariege Mishergi, Amanda Lau, Tiffany Williams and Lewis Jackson respond to complex questions from a panel. The We the People class won the competition, plus the regionals in San Jose, to go on to the state competition in Sacramento.



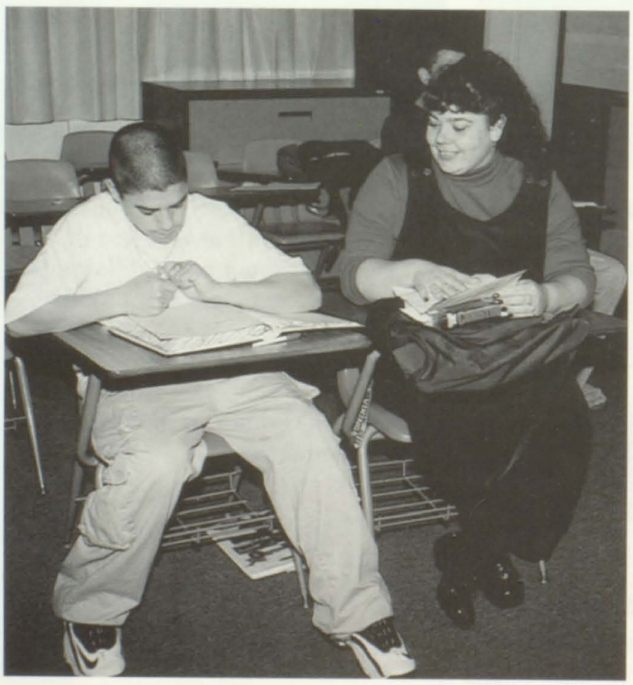
Jessica Neunz



Scott White

In her resource class, Ms. Jeanne DiPaola helps Derek Gomez. She was always ready to give extra help to students who needed individual attention.

While practicing for the Winter Concert, Michael Huynh plays the timpani. He later played this instrument at the Winter Concert on December 7, 1999.



Jessica Neunzig



Scott Whit

Punching the time Clock

As some students watched the clock, others punched the clock and viewed going to school as their job.

With delays during the summer, the modernization construction which started Nov. 1, 1999, had major effects on classes. While Modular City housed over 20 classrooms during the renovation, students and staff faced obstacles including rain, no phones and port-a-potties. Dealing with disruptions and changes, senior Kristen Hawkins said, "The portables are inconvenient." While the portables did have heating and air conditioning, most students felt isolated from the rest of the school, especially since they could not hear the bell system.

While the Irvington way might be to put things off until the last minute, some students like sophomore Vincent Gatdula did not. Vincent said, "I don't really think I'm a procrastinator because I usually get to work right away." Others like Ashley Young said, "I think of myself as a procrastinator because I'm so lazy."

The school day passed quickly for those students involved in hands-on projects. In December, Marketing and Merchandising students set up a new car franchise complete with sales department, finance and parts departments.

When the time ran out and work was due, students faced the big question: to cheat or not to cheat? Would you be willing to cheat in order to pass a class? Sophomore Marilia Maschion said, "Well, it all depends on the situation that I'm in."

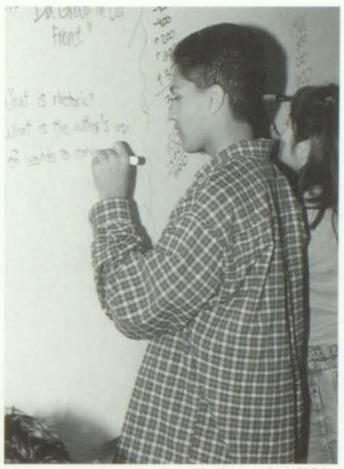
As the daily time clock clicked, the staff was already working on the future. The Visual and Performing Arts Departments planned the opening of the Center for the Creative Arts, an arts-based school within our school scheduled to begin for freshmen in September 2000. In addition, the Technology Committee wrote the grant for over $500,000 in technology funding for computers with access to the Internet to be in placed in every teaching area on campus. And for the first time, departments made arrangements for IHS students to receive Ohlone College Community College credit for classes taught on campus. Those students were getting a head start on their futures.

Students learned that as the time ticked away each day, their hard work would eventually pay off in the end. Just ask all those seniors who were headed off to trade schools, community colleges and universities.

by **Loni Lasseter**
Amy Thomas

In 11th Grade AP English, Shrey Shah participates in a SAT vocabulary game in the style of Jeopardy!. This was the second year IHS offered an AP English class for juniors.

Getting an introduction to the art of cooking, Jacob Lean rolls out dough for fruit pizza in Freshman Foods. The ingredients included cream cheese, Cool Whip and a variety of different fruits on a sweet crust.



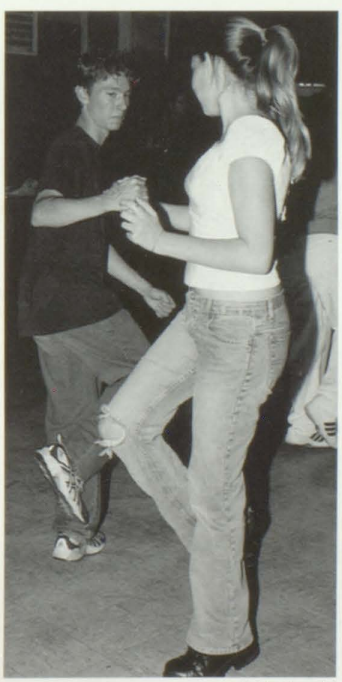
Scott White



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Courtesy of Ms. Kim Parker



Jessica Neunzig

Students Amber Hylton, Hannah Huntley and Matt Hebb participate in an art contest at the new Fremont Marriott. Hannah Huntley won first prize and received a free stay in the new hotel.

In their Social Dance class, John Lathbury and Leanne Maxwell learn how to swing. They danced to the year's most infectious single Mambo #5 by Lou Bega.

SOME STUDENTS FEEL THAT THEY WILL LEARN MORE EFFICIENTLY IN THEIR OWN SPECIAL PLACES

ANY PLACE will work

by loni lasseter

Buzz...Buzz.. It's 6:00 a.m. and your alarm is going off. After hitting the snooze button you realize you fell asleep studying on your bed. You have a test today, what if you fail? Students found that studying in particular places helped them improve their grades.

"It's just more calm outside," said Holly Martinez. Although studying outside relaxed her, one time she ran into a problem. "One time when I was studying in my yard, a seagull flew over, and, well, did his business right on my book. I was sure to return the book to the library the next day." Even though it has not always been pleasant, Holly continued to study outside. "Hopefully it will be like my good luck charm," she said.

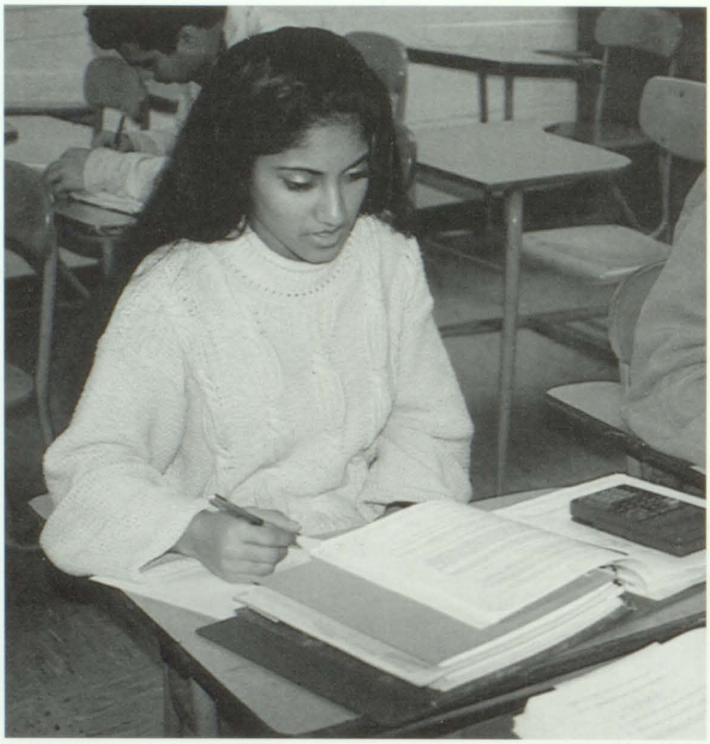
> **"To make studying more fun, my friends and I go to Starbucks or Noah's Bagels."**
>
> ***—Jessica Perkins***

"A double mocha with a shot of caramel. Mmmm, that's the best," said senior Denise Bennett. While studying at Bay Street Cafe, this was her favorite treat. She said that it was literally impossible to study at her house because there was too much going on. It was impossible to concentrate with her family running around. Studying with friends while sipping her drink was what Denise felt helped her do well on tests.

While studying late at night in her room, junior Viridiana Loza said it was just the right spot. "I guess it was because my bed is comfy and I do not have a desk to use in my room." She said that sometimes when she was really tired, she fell asleep while studying. She tried to avoid studying late at night so as to get rid of this problem. "Oh, well, as long as it all gets done, I don't mind staying up late," said Viridiana.

Junior Eric Atkins readily admitted that he did not like the idea of studying, but when he was forced to, he studied the best at his house on the floor. He was not sure why he happened to like the floor the best, but it was the right place for him. "The floor is just, well, I don't know, it's just nice, I guess."

Although students did not find studying exciting, they found ways and places to make it less dreadful.



Shilpa Andalkar



Aubrey St. Marie

While working in math class, **Bina Mistry studies diligently. She said that when she concentrated on her work in class, she cut back on the time she had to study at home.**

During Tutorial, Nicole **Buehler, Michael Banuelos and Chuck Rounds study for life science. Contrary to popular belief, some students used Tutorial to study and get additional help from teachers.**

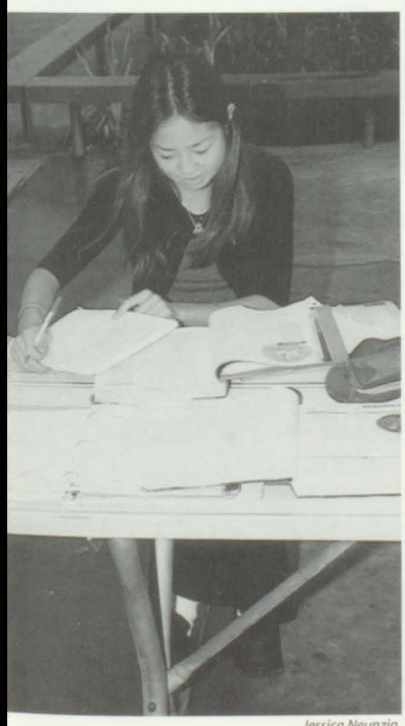


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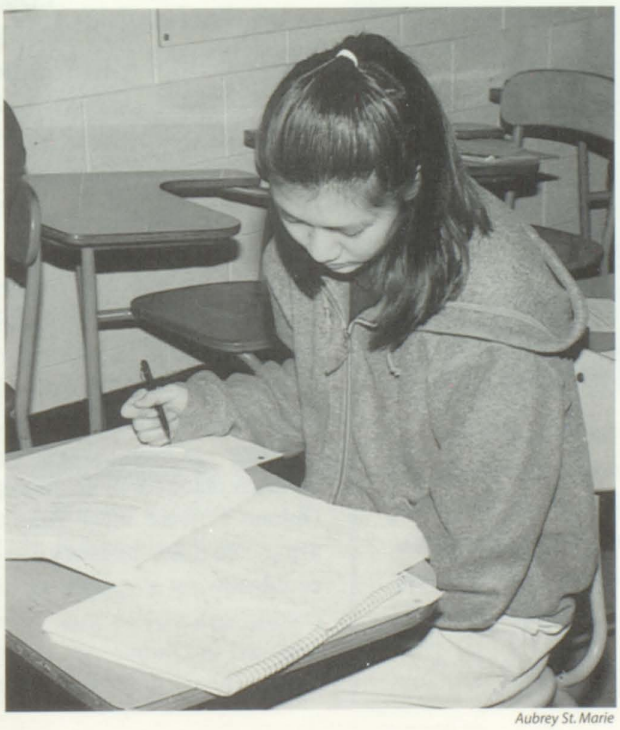
top studying tips

- Establish a place you use only for studying
- Use an index card for speed reading
- Use prioritized "to do" lists
- Treat each exam as a performance, make studying the rehearsal
- Develop a system to organize information for each class
- Study the hardest subject first

—Academic Learning Lab website



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Studying for U.S. History, **Joelle Fletcher sits cozy in her room. "It's one of my favorite places to study," said Joelle.**

Doing work outside of class but **inside of school is popular with Angela Joo. She studied at school to ensure all her work was finished on time.**

"Since I'm an Internet addict, I **have to study someplace other than home because I'll get online," said Anh Thai. She usually studies at the library because it is quiet and she will not be bothered.**

OHLONE CLASSES OFFERED ON CAMPUS GIVE STUDENTS A JUMPSTART ON THE CLIMB TOWARD HIGHER LEARNING

WALKING the extra mile

by tina le



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Rachel Nelson and **Brenna Prevost warm up their voices in Chamber Chorale. "I'm taking it because I love singing, not because of its credits," said Rachel.**

Sitting in Art 2, Elizabeth **Phan has a laugh before getting to her work. Like most kids, she took the class for the college credit.**



Shilpa Andalkar

Many students took notice of an addition to the 1999-2000 course catalog. Ohlone credit classes were offered for the first time at Irvington to implement the climb toward higher learning. Besides earning college credit for the courses, staying on campus to take these classes instead of trekking up the Ohlone hill proved convenient.

Sophomore Erica Terry thought that taking Spanish 4 now would be useful for her future education. "It's like killing two birds with one stone," she said. "I can get high school credit now and still have it for my college transcript later." If Spanish 4 was not enough for the flourishing student, then Spanish 5 was also offered for credit.

> **"I wanted to learn Mandarin so I could pass down the language to my children since my parents weren't too familiar with their heritage."**
>
> ***—Clifton Derbing***

Since senior Christine Gervasi planned on attending Ohlone College after graduating, she did not see why she could not get a couple of its credits out of the way. She enrolled in Ohlone Art 2 for three Ohlone units and Wind Ensemble for five units. "The classes are taught at the college level," she said.

Another student from Wind Ensemble, senior Eryk Bateman, concurrently enrolled in a few musical classes at the community college itself. "I plan to transfer these Ohlone credits to San Francisco State University, where I applied for this fall," he said.

Before most students were awake, some were already in classrooms earning credit toward American Sign Language and Mandarin during zero period. Some kids taking Mandarin were already familiar with the language and took advantage the easy 13.3 Irvington credits.

Other college credit classes included Chamber Chorale, Treble Ensemble, Drama 2, Advanced Drama, and Advanced Rehearsal and Performance. "There's also a Women in Science and Technology class that nobody seems to know about," said counselor Bill Stull. The lack of recognition of one class didn't keep the introduction of Ohlone credit courses from being a success, however.



Ann Lan

Veronica Caballero giggles as Mr. Dave Marshall demonstrates a Spanish lesson in a drawing on the board. Spanish 4 and 5 were offered for students who wished to study the language extensively.

Getting ready to leave at the end of Mandarin class, Gary Ta quickly scrawls down the last of the Chinese characters. To both Gary Ta and Jin Liu, Mandarin was already a second language.



Tina Le

facts about high school and college credits

- 1 Ohlone unit is worth 3.3 Irvington credits
- Most Ohlone credits transfer to other universities
- Ohlone College tuition is free for all high school students
- High school students can accelerate graduation by earning Ohlone credits
- About 44% of Irvington students attend Ohlone after graduation



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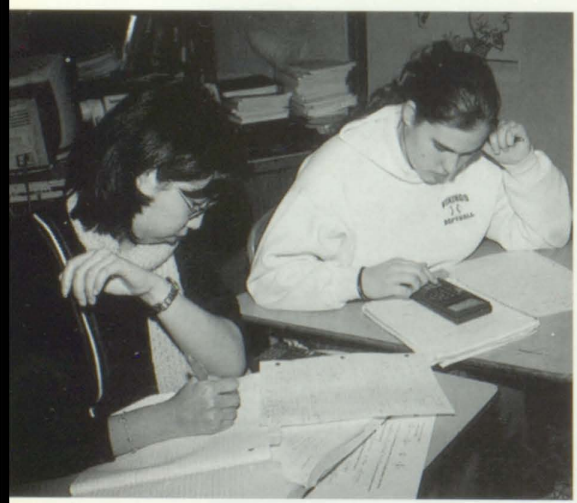
As students of the Wind Ensemble set up their instruments, Mr. Charlie Rodda instructs them on their lesson plan. Wind Ensemble was worth .5 college credits.



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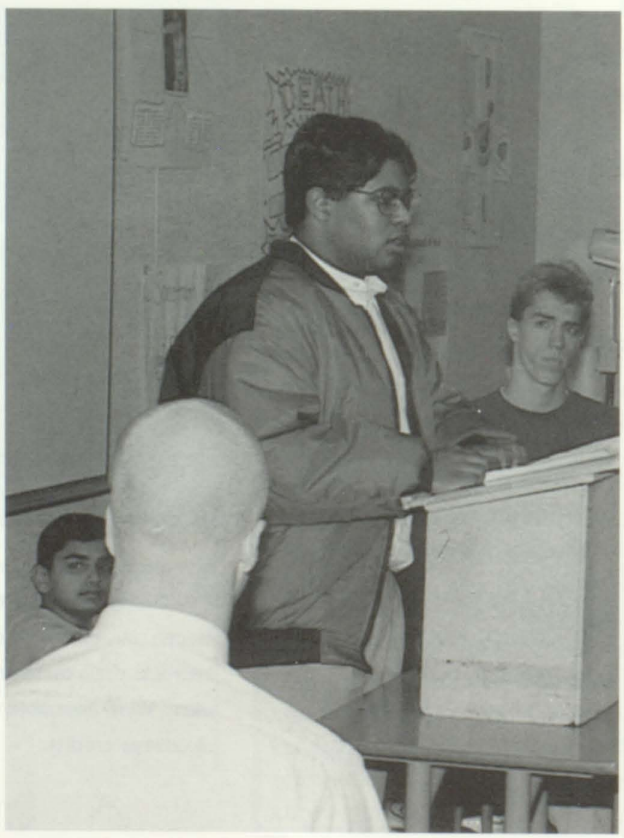
After developing his final print in Ms. Mary Roman's Photo 1 class, Matthew Pestana squeegees and prepares to blow-dry it. Writing assignments down and staying organized kept him from turning to procrastination.

Working diligently in AP Calculus class, Jenny Chen and Wendy Lundeen try to complete their assignment in class so they don't have to do it for homework. Braving tough classes such as AP English and We the People taught them not to procrastinate.



Jessica Neunzig

In Mr. Mark Isero's American Government class, Rajeev Kuruppu presents information for his presidential campaign. Due to Senioritis, not procrastinating was a hard task for many seniors.



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overcoming procrastination

- Write down your goals
- Break your goals down into little pieces. Don't think "all or nothing"
- Use your friends as support to keep you on task
- Establish priorities
- Don't have a self-defeatist attitude; always think you can do it!
- Allow time for procrastination, call it "creative leisure"

—University of Texas website

YOU WON'T believe this

SURPRISINGLY, THERE ARE A FEW STUDENTS AMONG THE CROWD WHO ACTUALLY GET THEIR WORK DONE ON TIME

by shilpa andalkar

One constantly hears about all the procrastination that goes on with students, so it was time to take a moment and envy the lucky few who were not cursed with the procrastination virus. The tick-tock made its impression on some students, and encouraged them to take their work habits into their own hands and: Whoa! NOT procrastinate.

One such student who realized the importance of time was junior Heather Heddlesten. She saw how procrastination "affected others. If I procrastinate, I'll never get stuff done, and I don't want what's happening to other people to happen to me."

In other cases, sports and activities demanded that some students be responsible and have good time management. Joshua Lewis, sophomore, said, "I play baseball and do a lot of other things, so I have to get stuff done early. I try to start all projects and homework over the weekend." Matthew Pestana, junior, had the same story. "I've got to finish stuff up ahead of time because I play baseball and soccer. My parents motivate me not to procrastinate because they threaten to take away sports if I do!"

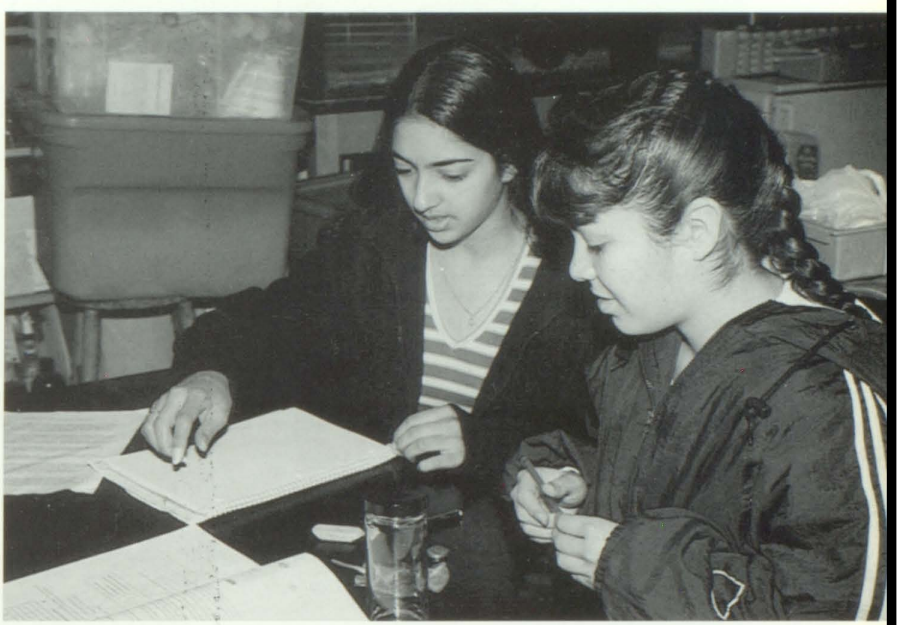
Freshman Jennifer Sewell had the right idea from the beginning. "I really like to get my work done thoroughly. I think if I don't do my work, I won't get a good grade. To do this, I have to manage my time well."

> **"I make sure I pay attention and do the work. It just wears you out if you wait until the last minute."**
>
> —*Garry Jackson*

Garry Jackson, junior, said his good study habits "mainly started in junior high. I also don't like getting marked down on projects just because I procrastinated."

Senioritis hit most seniors by mid-September, but some managed to maintain good study skills. Senior Michelle Suarez said, "I've always been this way. I just want to succeed in life."

Sure, sometimes it helped students to start thinking about starting an assignment 10 seconds before it was due. Procrastination helped put that extra "oomph" into work. But let's applaud the super-students who actually got their work done on time.



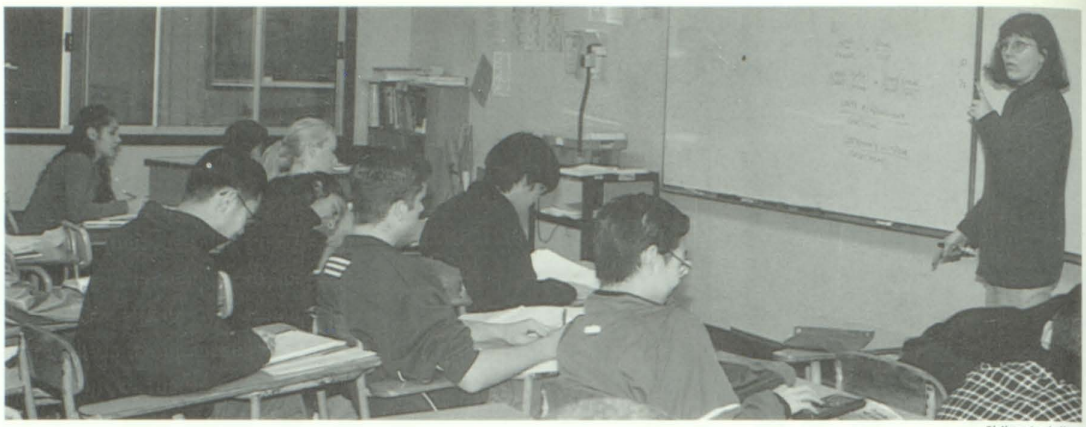
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Taking advantage of a few **moments in Ms. Karen Lin's CPM 3 class, Garry Jackson gets a head start on his homework. Keeping himself on top of things and using every spare moment to get work done helped him to avoid the wrath of procrastination.**

In Ms. Sharon **Ceresa's AP Biology class, Ekta Patel and Michelle Suarez perform chromotography with the chlorophyll of a leaf. Michelle evaded the perils of Senioritis and still was able to get work done on time.**



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Ms. Beth Rothfuss teaches her PreCalculus class in the portables. Most students complained that they could not see the board due to the shallow length of the portables.



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While in Mr. Bob Moran's Beginning Drawing class, Adam Moghadam sketches the basic shapes. The portables made this classroom a cramped environment for students.

Students walk to class in the temporary portables. The portables were put up while the majority of the school underwent reconstruction.

Armohn Jackson, Tasi Joe and Nate Carvalho rehearse for the Miniature Classics production. Being out in the portables made it difficult for the drama students because other classes found their rehearsals distracting.

top facts about modernization

- The Auditor General estimated 72% of all California school sites included portables
- There are approximately 86,500 portable classrooms in CA
- More than half of California's schools lack adequate electrical power for computers
- Only 44% of California classrooms have Internet access
- Over 50% of CA public schools are over 30 years old

—letsfixourschools.com website



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SETTING

up camp

STUDENTS RELOCATE TO TEMPORARY PORTABLES DURING MAJOR RENOVATIONS

by amy thomas

"Modular City" arose overnight at the back of the campus. The portables were temporarily set up in place of various classrooms as part of the modernization of Irvington. Students and teachers assigned to the portables faced a variety of predicaments.

To say the least, the list of negatives about the portables were long. For example, Robert Ainsworth, senior, said, "The portables are kind of detached from the school, and it almost seems like two different schools because they are so far away from each other." Many students agreed that walking to and from the portables was a dreaded part of their day.

The distant location of "Modular City" made it difficult for students to get from one class to another. Junior Rebecca Morgan said, "I think that the portables were a bad idea. They are so far away from each other, and I have five out of six classes in the portables, and it's totally impossible to be on the opposite side of the school in five minutes." Freshman Regina Quezada agreed, "The portables are way too far away from everything else at school. I think that they should have put them closer so that we won't have to walk as far."

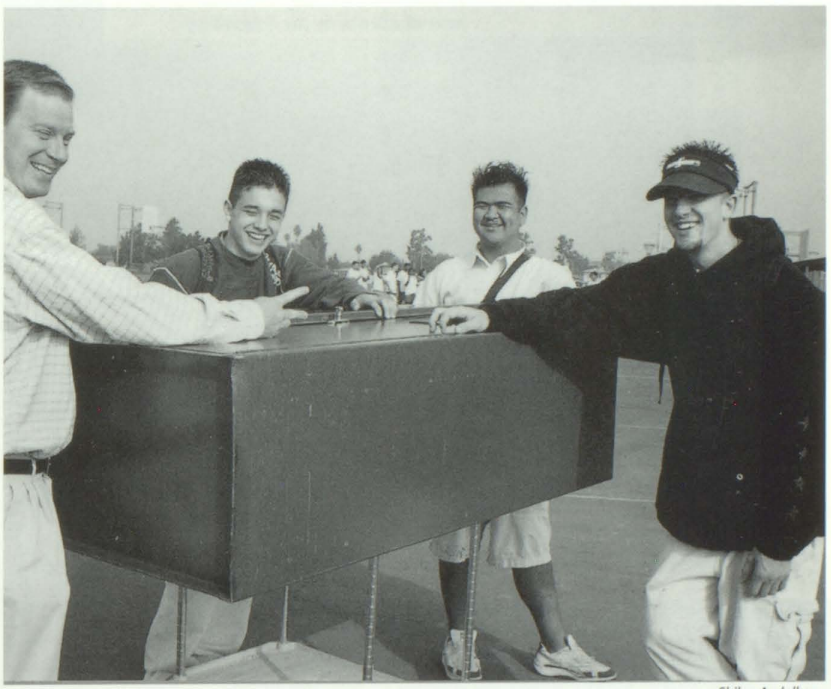
Distractions played a big role as a result of the portables. The windows of the portables were too low and students could see P.E. classes and people walking by. Junior Dustin Kircher said, "I can see almost everyone that walks by in the portables and it gets somewhat distracting."

In addition, the portables were not able to get an Internet connection since there was no wiring. Because of this, students often felt deprived of a complete education. Freshman Steve Premeau said, "Since we get no Internet connections in the portables, we have to go all the way to the library just to do research."

> **"Although the portables are inconvenient, I'm glad they're fixing up our school."**
>
> **—Marissa Nichols**

While most students viewed the portables in a negative way, there were a few who looked on the positive side. Sophomore Alicia Vanrosendale said, "I like the heating and air conditioning in the portables. Most of my classes, which are not located in the portables, don't have heating and air conditioning so that's a positive outlook." Freshman Mike Banuelos added, "I think the portables are nice. Even though there is quite a bit of walking to do, they are a nice new addition to have."

Although students' opinions counted, in the meantime, they learned how to deal with both the negative and positive sides of the portables.



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Amanda Lau

Mr. Bob Moran, Mike Jones, Ryan Rose and Matt Ferrington help move a cabinet from Room 94 to the portables. Since the portables had no built-in storage cabinets or areas, Mr. Moran's room was packed with boxes and metal cabinets.

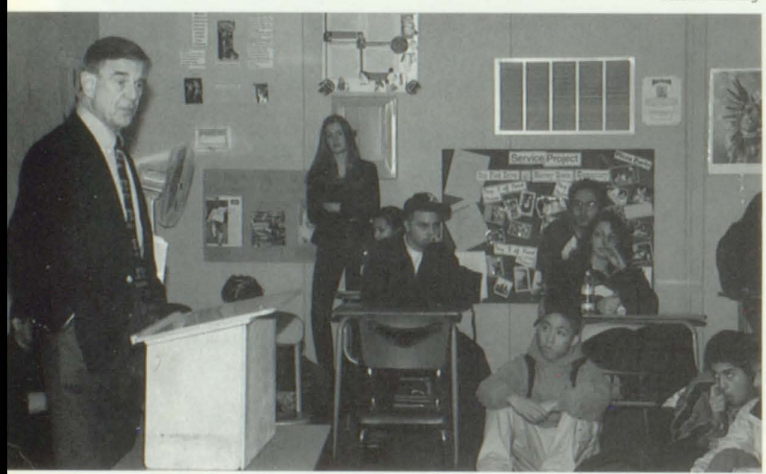
Crammed into T-1, Mr. Bill Stanley's Special Day Class students assemble components as part of job training.

In a game dubbed Napoleanister, Amy Dunn, Danielle Perez and Brittney Pilgrim try to match up dates and terms in Ms. Nicole Larson's World History class. Doing this was preferable to taking a written exam.

Glowing with maternal pride, Jennifer Plate gingerly holds her flour sack baby. The care demanded by the "kid" benefitted students in the Parenting class and taught responsibility.



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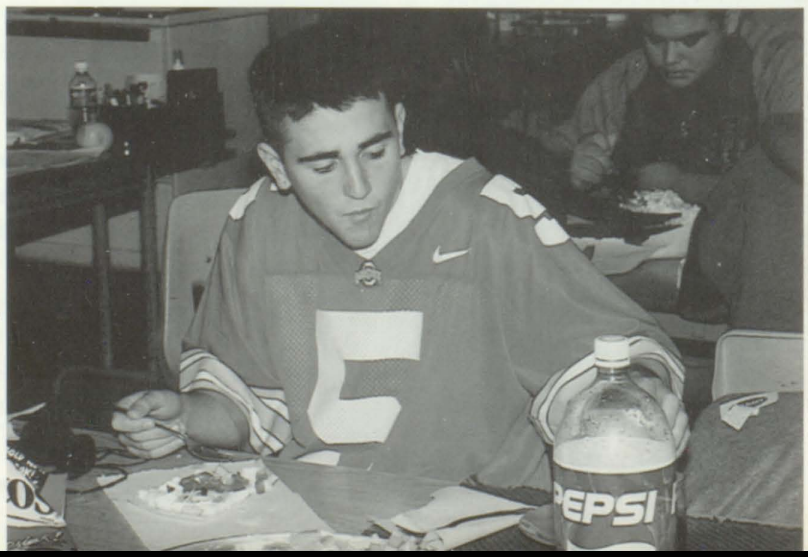
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Giving students an insight into politics, Congressman Pete Stark chats with them about his experiences. This proved to be a great opportunity for students to understand government.

Tantalizing his tastebuds, Eli Delgado digests a lesson well learned. The project was more memorable because he not only made it—he ate it.



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A NEW WAY of learning

DIFFERENT CLASSES AND CURRICULA PROVE THAT THE THEORY OF MULTIPLE INTELLIGENCES IS TRUER THAN EVER

by jason chan and shilpa andalkar

Learning solely from textbooks tended not to be memorable learning experiences. Students were exposed to a variety of interactive learning devices to delight the five senses.

Masking tape, straws, and a lucky egg comprised the winning materials needed to construct a craft to protect an ovoid passenger. The egg drop contest facilitated by Mr. Seiji Kawamura's Conceptual Physics class was a challenging yet an insightful project. To receive credit, the egg had to survive at least a one-meter fall without cracking. Failed eggs suffered injuries from minor hairline cracks to exploding on impact with the tiled floor. Students discovered the differences in design that let eggs survive three-meter drops and avert scrambled egg catastrophes.

In Ms. Sue Paulsen's Parent Child Development course, students had a little taste of parenting. Possible future parents cared for five-pound sacks of flour throughout the day. The students had to tend the mock child continuously without letting it escape their attention. This type of learning, required full participation of a students' minds and bodies in order to succeed.

A visit from Congressman Pete Stark was a valuable occasion for students in Mr. Mark Isero's American Government class. The class was working on a mock presidential campaign project and took careful note of the congressman's words of critique and insightful advice on how things were done. Understanding politics was best done by a lesson from a real politician.

> **"I learned how to put my thought experiment into a real experiment by using the laws of physics."**
>
> ***—Bobak Jafferzadeh***

Through spatial visualization and understanding, a project in AP Studio Art took a distinctive shape. Students were able to create and design to their heart's content with the sky the limit. Plaster, papier maché and lumps of clay were transformed into works of art.

Lessons were more effective when teachers took into consideration the various learning styles of students.



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With a look of concentration, **Hannah Huntley begins molding her AP Studio Art project out of wire. Hands-on work like this was perfect for spatial as well as kinesthetic learners.**

His egg plummeting to the floor, **Bobak Jafferzadeh hopes that it will make three meters. It did not, but he came away with more knowledge about the laws of physics.**

seven ways people learn

- Verbal—learns through writing and reading
- Logical—learns through patterns and strategy
- Bodily—learns through hands-on work
- Visual—learns through images and pictures
- Musical— learns through sound and listening
- Group—learns through group activities
- Individual—learns through self-reflection

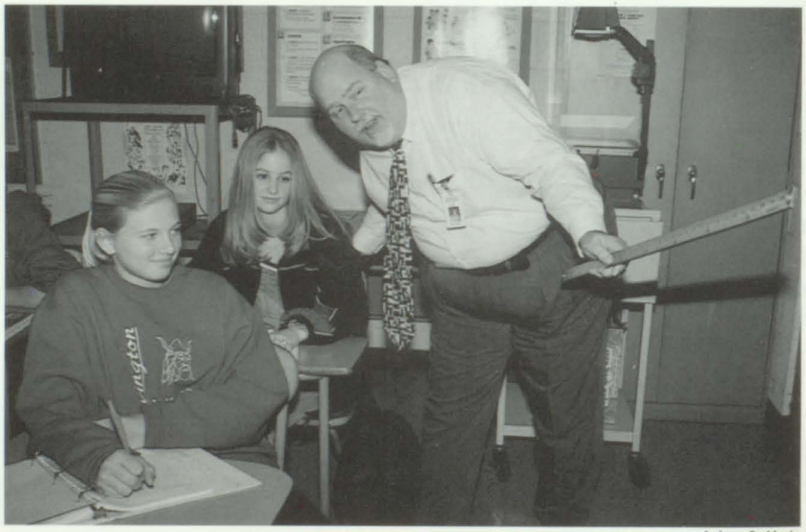
—Howard Gardner, Harvard psychologist



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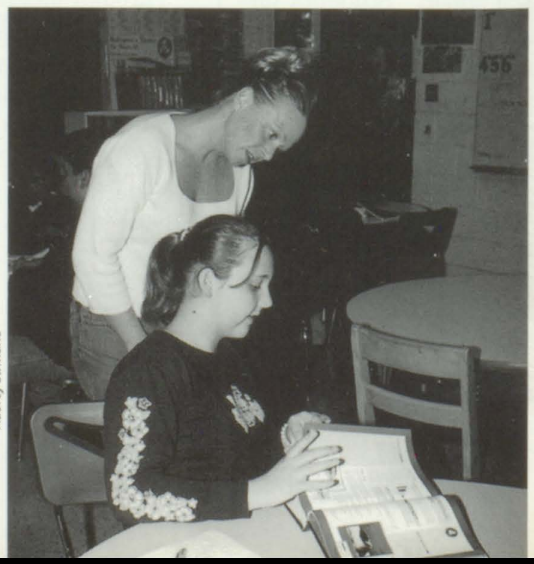
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While studying a biology unit on mitosis, Ms. Sharon Ceresa helps Mary Bush, Justin Crow, Nicole Balbiani and Josh Jones identify the different parts of a plant cell. Families provided support for students in their academic classes.

Amanda Woodrum, Shamama Burney and Amanda Ramirez work on genetic codes for Cystic Fibrosis in their biology class. The girls were in Family 9-4.

Mr. Dan Sipsy shows Shelby Twohig and Amy Watson how to write an essay. Mr. Sipsy is part of the new Arts Family.

Doing English classwork, Kindra Brown asks Ms. Rebecca Beck for some help. Families helped teachers get to know their students' needs better.



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FAMILY

FAMILIES PROVIDE SUPPORT AND CAMARADERIE FOR UNDERCLASSMEN

matters a lot

by christina garcia

Family: a group of persons living under one roof. For most Irvington students, that was true both at home and at school. The underclassmen Family system helped students have a source of support during their first and second years of high school.

The purpose of Families was to provide a small community environment for students. The Families helped students become successful. There were three teachers for freshman Families and two teachers for every sophomore Family.

> **"Families were all about working together and learning. They were fun at the same time."**
>
> ***—Shireena Desai***

The Family system was made so teachers could work more closely with their students. Ms. Carol Weltmer, English teacher and Family Support Coordinator, said the teachers from each Family worked together to plan lessons. Most Family teachers tried to teach a certain theme at the same time. For example, in English 10 Mr. Ben Dow made his sophomores read *Animal Farm*, which took place in the early 1900s, while Ms. Nicole Larson taught about that era in World History. Families helped students connect what they learned in one subject area to another.

One good thing about Families was the many opportunities to make friends and learn more. Junior Diana Denk said that families helped her because if she missed an assignment there was always an abundance of people she could call. Families benefitted students in the long run because they got to interact with many other people and understand different points of view.

On the other hand, some students thought otherwise. Junior Deanna Simmons said that Families did not help her at all. She thought they made no difference in the way she learned. Also, many students did not like the fact that there were the same people in most classes. Some students hoped they could do more projects with other Families rather than just with the Benchmark project.

For the most part, students enjoyed being part of something at school. Though many people thought that families were just made of dads, moms, brothers and sisters, Irvington gave a new definition of families. Families meant cooperation, support, and fun!

IHS goals 2000 beliefs

- all students can learn and deserve the opportunity to achieve to their fullest potential
- students need to master basic skills and develop the ability to think critically
- students learn in different ways
- the school should preserve, transmit, and help clarify ethical, cultural, and social values
- the school must recognize that every student is an individual with a unique set of academic and non-academic strengths and needs
- the school, the parents, and the community serve as partners in the educational process

—IHS Planner



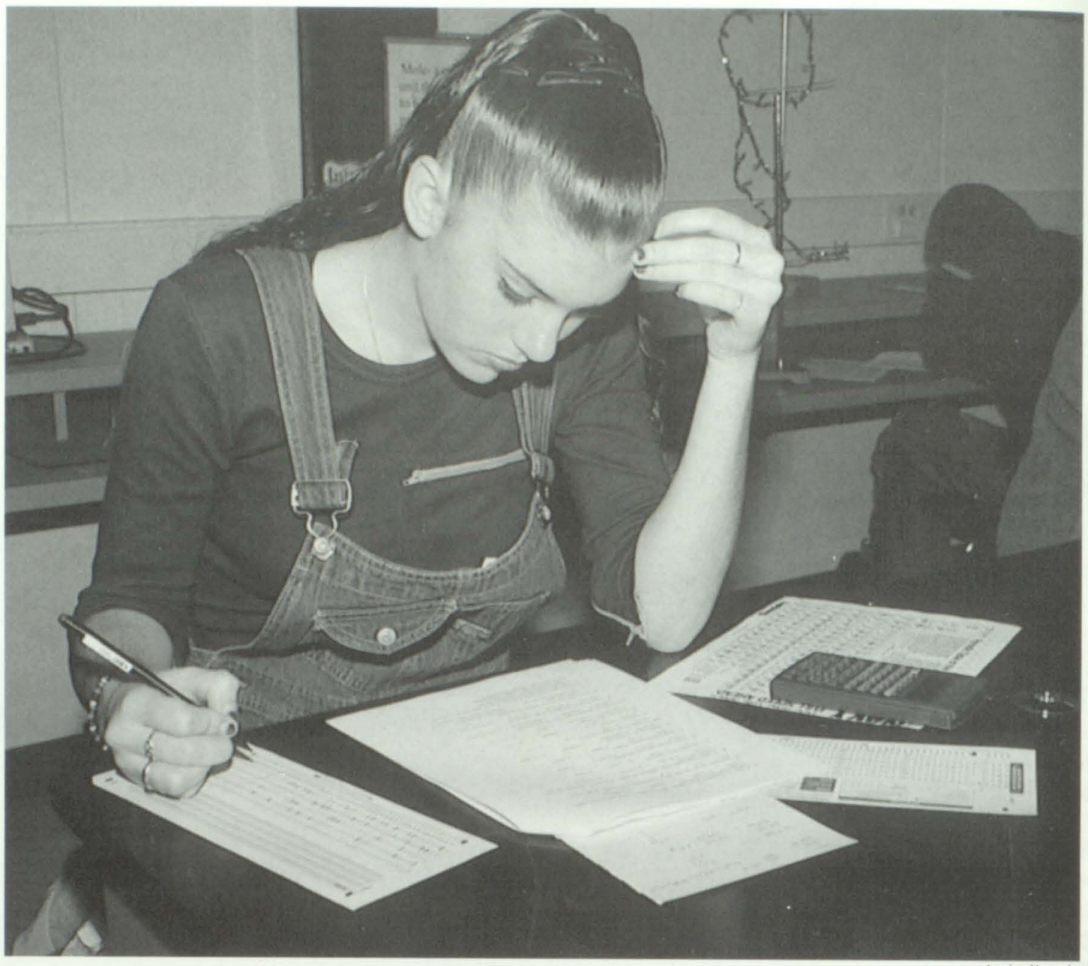
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Dressed for Spirit Week, **Ms. Jeannette Frechou and Kelli Holguin take pond samples. Families supported unity by encouraging teachers to participate in Spirit Week activities as Ms. Frechou does decked out for Band-Aid Day.**

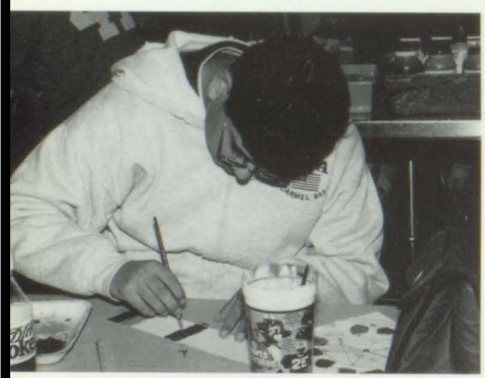
IHS cheating policy

- 1st Incident:
  - "0" on assignment
  - parent/teacher Conference
  - written note to principal/ detention
- 2nd Incident
  - "0" on assignment
  - parent/teacher Conference
  - removal from ASB or class office
  - detention/suspension
- 3rd Incident
  - "NC" in class
  - Review Board Panel
  - removal from extra-curricular activities
  - possible expulsion

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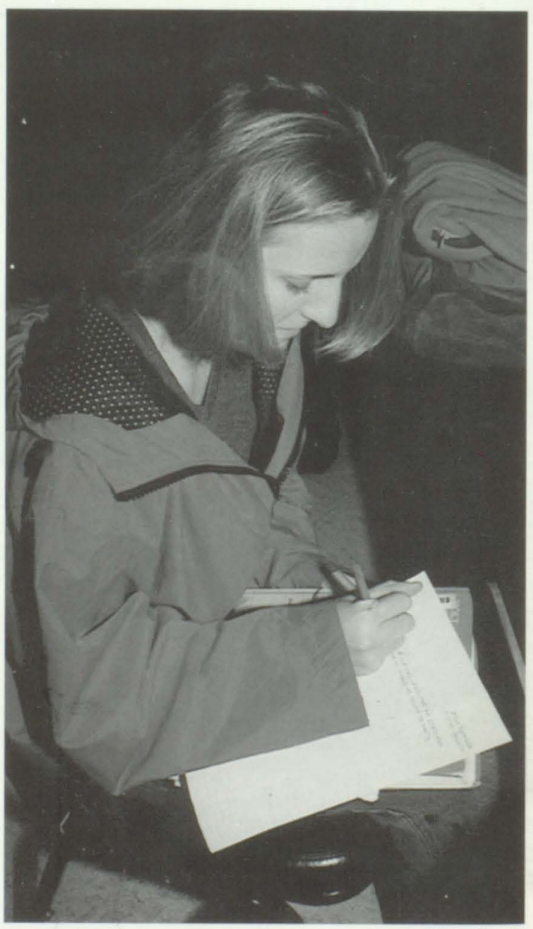
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Enduring the stress of her chemistry final, Tiffany Dreyer fills out her Scantron. "I think cheating is bad," said Tiffany. "It affects your learning because once someone starts cheating, it becomes a habit."

Painting in Art 1, Hassan Ismail mixes colors from a color wheel. "Students cheat because they're too lazy," said Hassan. "It's morally wrong. You should do your own work."

Grading the biology final for Ms. Jeannette Frechou, Santiago Vaca looks over a test. "TA's are constantly asked to change grades [by students]," said Santiago. "We have to be trusted by our teachers... ."

With notebook in hand, Jessie Blethroad takes science notes during a lecture. "Maybe their [the cheater's] grades aren't where they want them to be," said Jessie. "I believe that NC's promote cheating."

TO CHEAT or not to cheat

EACH DAY STUDENTS BRING THEIR ETHICS INTO PLAY WHEN DOING HOMEWORK, BUSYWORK OR GROUP WORK

by matthew gilbuena

Most students would quickly label cheating as wrong; however, when faced with various punishments, some students managed to justify cheating in one form or another.

A number of students thought that people cheated because they viewed the work as a waste of time. Students who wanted to get the busywork over with quickly resorted to cheating. "It's okay if the assignment is not important," said Victoria Hill, freshman. "I don't think it's right to cheat on a major test."

> **"Failing causes students to give up. I think encouragement is needed since these students resort to cheating."**
>
> **—Shawn Kerawala**

Some students thought that cheating could never be morally justified. "You cannot justify cheating because it is wrong," said Norma Marrun, senior. "Cheating is an easy way out so that they can save time. When you cheat it does not feel right inside."

Another student described what it felt like to be cheated upon. "...A person who hasn't been working on ...[an] assignment for three months at the last moment decides to cheat off of you. He steals your ideas and puts it into his assignment. How does that make you feel? I don't think you should cheat. Period," said Shawn Kerawala, senior. Another student felt cheating was associated with lying. "Cheating is not too good," said Matthew Creasmen, junior. "When you cheat you're lying to both yourself and your teacher. If a student won't work, they should fail."

The people who must deal with cheating were the instructors. Mr. Mark Isero, social science teacher, believed that students sometimes failed to rank their priorities. "Students may view some assignments as being more worthy of being done than another. With those unfinished, unworthy assignments, students often times copy their work off of another in order to receive their grade." Mr. Isero's cheating policy was strict. Students who cheated got a zero on their assignment, were reported to the administration, and suffered some form of public humiliation.

"Some students cheat because they're lazy," said Ms. Beth Rothfuss, math teacher. "Some students cheat because they panic. Other students cheat because they are so driven to maintain that high GPA." Ms. Rothfuss combated cheating by passing out multiple variations of tests.

True success depended on those students who were honest to themselves and others and chose not to cheat.



Jessica Neunzig



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Working in a group during **CPM Geometry, Linda Le works on her homework assignment. While working with others, students had to follow their ethics to avoid cheating. "Cheating is bad. Those who get cheated upon feel used and that happens a lot in CPM groups," said Linda.**

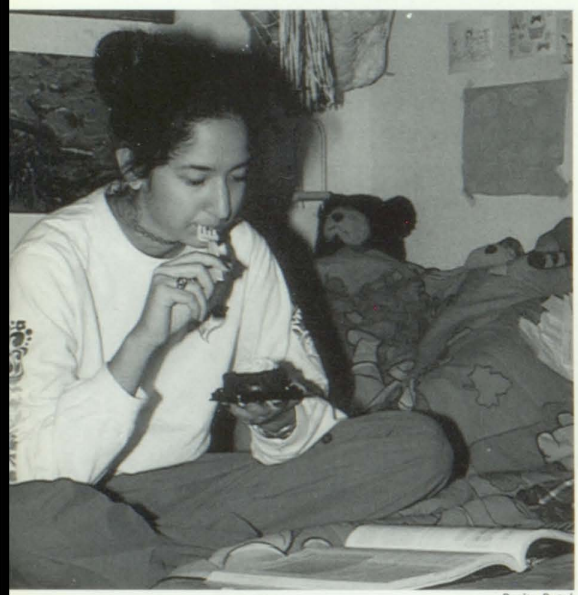
During a long double block **English class, Sarah Ranalli colors her picture for her book report. She felt that cheating was a forbidden fruit. "You're kind of like a child," said Sarah. "If you do it and are told not to, you will want to do it more."**

Studying for AP U.S. History, Erica Terry makes her own shakes to gain up on her brain capacity. Erika added special ingredients which she kept secret from all her friends.

Pulling an all-nighter, Farah Kamal eats a chocolate cake to stay up. Farah also drank Mountain Dew which had the most caffeine out of all sodas.



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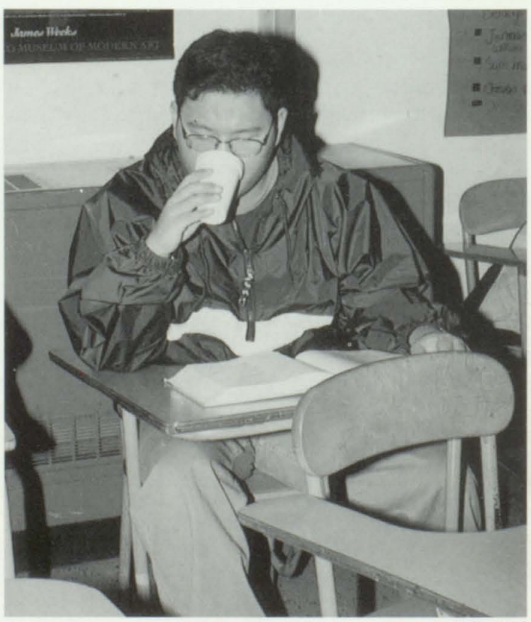
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Taking a breather from school, Krystle Sheldon enjoys eating Jelly Belly beans especially during finals week. Her favorite flavor was tamale.

Making sure he understands trigi- nometry identities, Brandon Tang studies for Honors Precalculus before school starts. To stay alert and awake, Brandon drank coffee in the morning.



Parita Patel



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FOOD

for the brain

STUDENTS BELIEVE THAT CERTAIN FOODS HELP THEM DO WELL IN SCHOOL

by parita patel

Carrots are good for the eyes, lollipops are good for the memory, fish is good for the brain, and spinach makes you stronger. Students have been told all sorts of things about becoming wiser, but they came up with their own remedies to help them out.

During finals' week things could become a little hard and stressful. Junior Krystle Sheldon while staying up late with her friends to get her studying done, kept her eyes wide open by eating Jelly Belly beans because they made her really hyper and alert.

Hot days could really get to a student's head on school days. Senior Sara Moghadam drank Jamba Juices right before she started her homework. She found that the juices gave her energy to keep on working and finish her school work.

For sophomore P.J. Delacruz, breakfast was an essential meal. He found that having food in his system helped him learn better. He believed that eating healthy food gave him a healthier mind.

Before settling into her honors and AP homework—aka know as many all-nighters—junior Erica Terry made her own special shake which she believed made her smarter. The color of the shake was green and she would not tell anyone what she added to it.

Freshman Analynn Burgas ate candy whenever she was nervous because of a test or when she was overwhelmed with homework. She particularly recommended crispy M&M's.

> **"I have to take slow sips to let the caffeine absorb into my system. I don't want to take it all in at once because that will make me really hyper."**
>
> ***—Farah Kamal***

Mountain Dew has the most caffeine out of all sodas. Senior Farah Kamal took slow sips of Mountain Dew when pulling all-nighters to finish homework and studying. Farah also had anything with chocolate in it on the side so she could easily reach for it when she felt she was about to doze off.

These students turned to food to get the grades. Next time you have trouble with anything related to school, consider a field trip to the grocery store.



Parita Patel



Parita Patel

brain food

- vitamin C
- vitamin E
- vitamin B6
- vitamin B-12
- ginkgo biloba
- american ginseng
- chinese licorice root powder
- gota kola

—brain food/fuel website

During lunchtime, Reem Ganim, Odessa Flores and Sara Moghadam go to Jamba Juice many times a week to boost up on their energy. Sara finds their juices to be very healthy and nutritious.

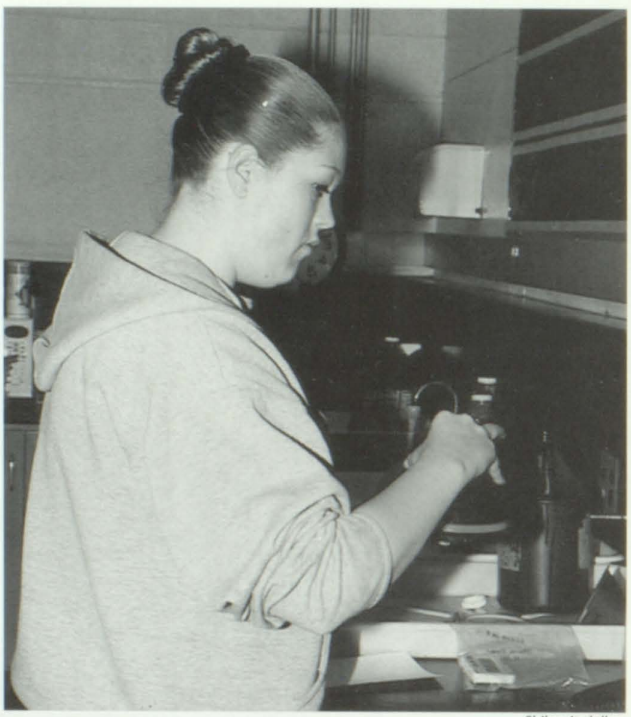
Working together in AP Calculus, Marvin Fontanilla helps Shilpa Andalkar to understand integrals. Shilpa ate Nerds and Marvin drank Martinelli Apple Juice when they did work related to school.



Shilpa Andalkar

About to twirl, Maricar Perea dances in Social Dance. Maricar learned dances she could put to use outside of class.

Developing film, Angelic Pope agitates her film with developer. Angelic took Photo 1 because she enjoyed making her own photos from beginning to end.



Shilpa Andalkar

Ensuring that her painting is perfect, Laura Chandler secures her fantasy unicorn painting. Laura enjoyed expressing herself through her artwork.

top personal growth books of the 20th Century

- *Men Are from Mars, Women Are from Venus* by John Gray
- *Chicken Soup for the Soul* by Jack Canfield
- *The Art of Happiness* by the Dalai Lama
- *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People* by Stephen R. Covey
- *The Seat of the Soul* by Gary Zukav

—New York Times Best Seller List



Shilpa Andalkar

12 STEPS to a new you

THESE STUDENTS DECIDE NOT ONLY TO TAKE CLASSES THAT IMPROVE THEIR ACADEMIC SKILLS, BUT THEMSELVES AS PEOPLE

by patrick morris and parita patel

There were classes that students took to graduate and classes they took for their own personal benefit. Many students chose classes that were not required. Some students even got a head start on a future career.

To plan for her future career, senior Stephanie Hammack took ROP Interior Design at Irvington. She knew that she wanted to be an interior designer some day. Taking this class helped Stephanie to reach her future goal.

> **"I take Journalism because it gives me an opportunity to help me prepare for my future career."**
>
> ***—Matt Cunha***

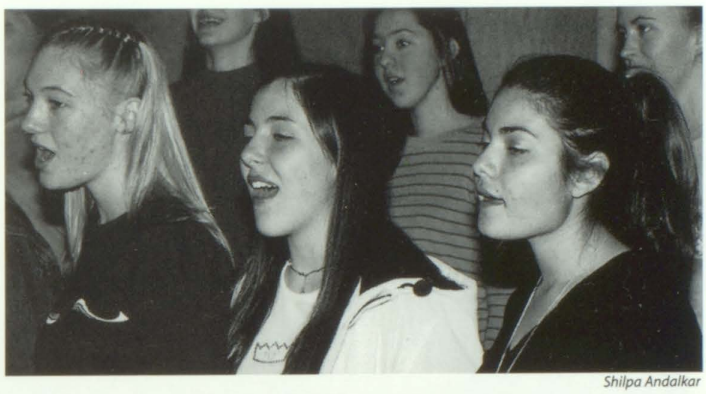
Thinking about necessary skills, senior Jason Lee took Computer Keyboarding for his benefit. Jason had an interest in learning how to type because he knew it would be needed later on. He said, "Some day I would like to write The Rock's speeches." This class gave him the skills that he needed to one day do just that.

Like most freshmen, Jeanine Wilcox enjoyed having classes where she was able to talk or fool around in, but she also took classes for serious reasons. Jeanine took classes like Spanish 1 and Word Processing because she planned to go to college. She knew that she should take classes that would be of any help to her. She said, "If you are going to take it, take it for your own good."

Interested in finding out-why people behave the way they do, junior Jen Kovacs took Psychology. Jen enjoyed this class because it was all discussion and debate, unlike other classes. This class helped Jen to decide on what her career for the future would be: a counseling psychologist.

Did you know there was a line dance to *Mambo Number 5*? Senior Richelle Nobles learned this dance in her second period Social Dance class. Richelle took this class because she went to a lot of formal dinner dances and wanted to look competent on the dance floor.

Students learned best when they could actually relate to what they were learning or they could learn what interested them.



Shilpa Andalkar



Jessica Neunzig

Warming up for Chamber Chorale, Stephanie Hammack, Casi Maggio and Debbie Navarro rehearse for the All-City Concert. Stephanie took the ROP Interior Design class because of her interest in the field as a career.

Correcting his assignment, Ryan Tornio will be resubmitting his paper in the Computer Information Processing class. Ryan took this class to be able to type essays and research papers at a fast speed.



Shilpa And

In physiology, the team of **John Lathbury and Alexis Turpin work together in dissecting a cat. By working in teams, the physiology students could share what they were learning with each other.**

7 essential skills for teamwork

- Listen to team's ideas
- Ask questions of team
- Exchange and defend your ideas
- Respect opinions in the team
- Help by offering assistance
- Share ideas, thinking, and jobs
- Contribute to the team assignment

—Birchwood Teamwork Skills website



Jessica Neunzig



Shilpa And

While playing her clarinet, **Farah Kamal stays on beat with the rest of the band. If just one person is off, then it throws off everyone else.**

American Studies' student **Matthew Ritter gives a presentation on his group Enola Gay project. Each group was required to design a museum and then present it in front of the rest of the class.**

During an all-district ASB meeting, **the IHS ASB competes together in the Poop Deck game. Throughout the year, the students leaders must act as a team.**



Scott W

WHO IS responsible?

THERE IS NO "I" IN A TEAM WHETHER IT IS FOR A SCHOOL PROJECT OR IN A CLASS

by aubrey st. marie

One of the qualities that made Irvington different from ...er schools was that it pro...ed real world experiences ...olving teamwork or group ...jects. Teamwork meant ...rning how to work with ...ers and making the com...tment to ...ish work ...t counted ...t only for ...ur grade ...t for that of ...e entire ...up. For ...ne people ...s was a ...eat learn...g experi...ce while ...ers did not ... well with the pressure.

The Marketing and ...erchandising (DECA) class ...ganized a car show in the ...urtyard that simulated a ...l life automobile show...om. Five different groups ...rned about a certain part ... the showroom process ...luding the sales depart...nt, the finance depart...nt, the business depart...nt and customer service. ...e class took a field trip to ...erview the people in the ...ld. Melinda Steffen, who ...s in the sales group, said ...t things overall went well, ...t she had to do more work ... cover for someone who ...o did not show up for class ...d did not do their part.

"We the People," the hon...' government class, had a rough start preparing for their Constitutional competitions. In the class, six teams specialized in certain parts of the U.S. Constitution such as the Supreme Court cases, civil rights, citizens' rights, the Bill of Rights, and history of the Constitution. Then these groups came together as one class to compete with schools in the same congressional district. The group later qualified to compete at the state level where they took fourth place, the highest level ever for Irvington. Michelle Suarez said things were rocky at first because not everyone was committed to the same goals, but once the group won the regional, things got better. "Once people saw how far we went, people started to get more committed and tried more," she said.

> **"In American Studies, if someone doesn't fulfill their job then it screws up the whole group."**
>
> **—Ann Lan**

American Studies, an integrated English and U.S. History class, regularly used group projects. These projects went beyond the limits of the textbook.

Learning how to work in groups was not always a bad thing. It was the way of the world.



Courtesy of Michelle Suarez



Shauna Morgan



Aubrey St. Marie

At the Rancho **Cordova Sheraton Hotel in Sacramento, Mr. Mark Isero preps the next "We the People" group before they compete in the Constitutional competition. The "We the People" class finished fourth in the state out of a field of 11 finalists.**

At the car show spon-**sored by DECA, Dennis Urrutia and Tino Reyes look over the cars. The Marketing and Merchandising students organized a mock car showroom with real cars.**

Before the "We the **People" class left for Sacramento, John Magat and Khoa Nguyen get their bags ready to load onto the bus.**

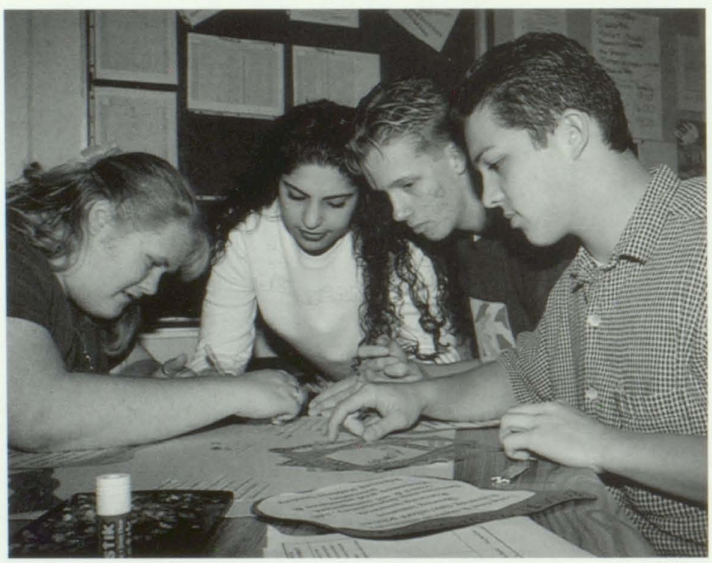
TEACHERS DITCH THEIR OLD LESSON PLANS OF LECTURING FOR PROJECTS, ACTIVITIES AND FUN

A NEW lesson plan

by tamara lukas



Steward Merell



Ann Lan

In French class, Wallace Dere and Ms. Valerie Hodin make crepes, a thin pancake like pastry. The class made them to celebrate a French holiday.

For their English final in Ms. Cathy Ash's class, Caitlin Hillier-Toureau, Reem Ganim, Jeremy Sommers and Vernon Smith make a poster. They explained the four school wide outcomes.

"Okay, class have fun!" was a familiar phrase for many students whose teachers varied class time. Many teachers decided that they wanted to make class time more effective without lecturing.

Ms. Jeannette Frechou knew that by Friday many of her students' attention spans were short, so she decided to make up a dance. Whenever Ms. Frechou would dance, she would make everyone laugh. It was so funny to see our teacher dancing around," said sophomore Rashell Miszanczuk.

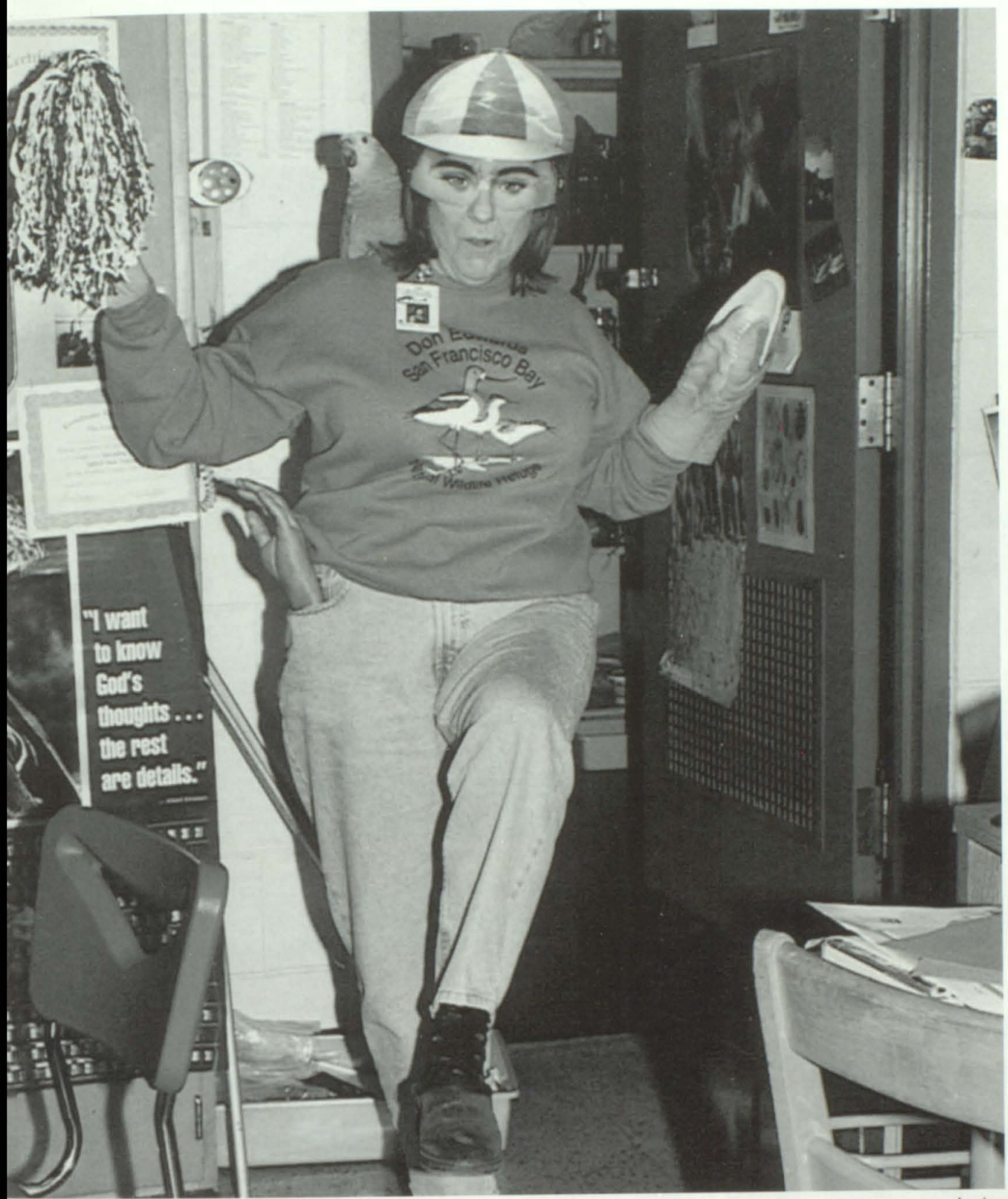
> **"Teachers are realizing students would rather learn through projects and activities."**
>
> —*Veronica Caballero*

Mr. Erik Scherer decided to modernize history by letting his U.S. history students do presentations on PowerPoint. He taught his students how to use the program, and they later showed their timeline presentations to the rest of the class. Sophomore Angelina Aguilar said, "The PowerPoint project was a lot of fun. I liked that more than reading from the book."

Ms. Cathy Ash's English 12 students hardly ever had to sit in class and listen to a lecture. Instead she did projects and presentations with her students. "They own the material. They are learning better if they do projects," she said. To prepare her students for the book *The Stranger*, Ms. Ash wanted to focus on moral development. Her students watched the movie *She's All That* and took notes on a character of their choice and showed how the character grew morally. Later they presented their information to the rest of the class.

Ms. Kelsey Burr wanted her English 10 students to learn how to speak persuasively in preparation for the U.N. Benchmark project. She assigned a project where her students created a product and tried to convince students to buy it.

Some teachers took their lesson plans one step further and had fun. "Teachers want their students to have more hands-on experience, and because of that, the environment in class is more fun," said senior Carolyn Feng.



Ann Lan

top websites for teachers

- Kathy Schrock's Guide for Educators: www.discoveryschool.com/schrockguide
- ALA Resources for Parents and Kids: www.ala.org/parents/index.html
- American Memory from the Library of Congress: http://lcweb2.loc.gov/ammem/
- Ed's Oasis: K-12 Teachers' Resources and Opportunities: www.edsoasis.org
- Exploratorium Learning Studio: www.exploratorium.edu/
- Math Forum: http://forum.swathmore.edu/
- Annenberg/CPB Projects: www.learner.org
- Internet Public Library: www.ipl.org

Ms. Jeannette Frechou **dances for her Environmental Science students on Fridays. She dances to keep her students' attention during a lesson.**

In Ms. Kelsey Burr's English class, **Diwan Williams, Jesse James and Gary Griffith have a holiday party. Ms. Burr uses projects to get students involved in the 10th grade Benchmark.**



Jessica Neunzig



Jessica Neunzig

In Mr. Seiji Kawamura's **Honors' Physics class, Erik Leung tests his mousetrap car. He did this project to learn about potential and kinetic energy.**

happily ever AFTER

HAVING TROUBLE FINDING A BOOK ? HERE ARE A COUPLE OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR YOU



Jessica Neunzig



Jessica Neunzig

Taking a shortcut, sophomore Jessica Supnet reads Cliff Notes instead of the novel. While teachers discourage Cliff Notes, some students think of them as a way to get the main idea of a difficult book.



Jessica Neunzig

Using extra class time to read, Michelle Higgason reads a book for outside reading. She enjoys reading when she is not doing anything else in class.

Whenever Cassie St. Marie is not answering phones for Irvington's Student Information Center, she is busy reading. One of her favorite authors is George Orwell.

by arin lan

Romance... mystery... action... were just a few of the books that students enjoyed for outside reading.

Some students thought that outside reading was useless, but there were also many students who thought reading was beneficial. Cassandra Gephart, sophomore, who enjoyed reading said, "I think that this whole outside reading thing is a really good idea. I really enjoy reading horror and fantasy books. *His Bright Light* by Danielle Steele is a really good book."

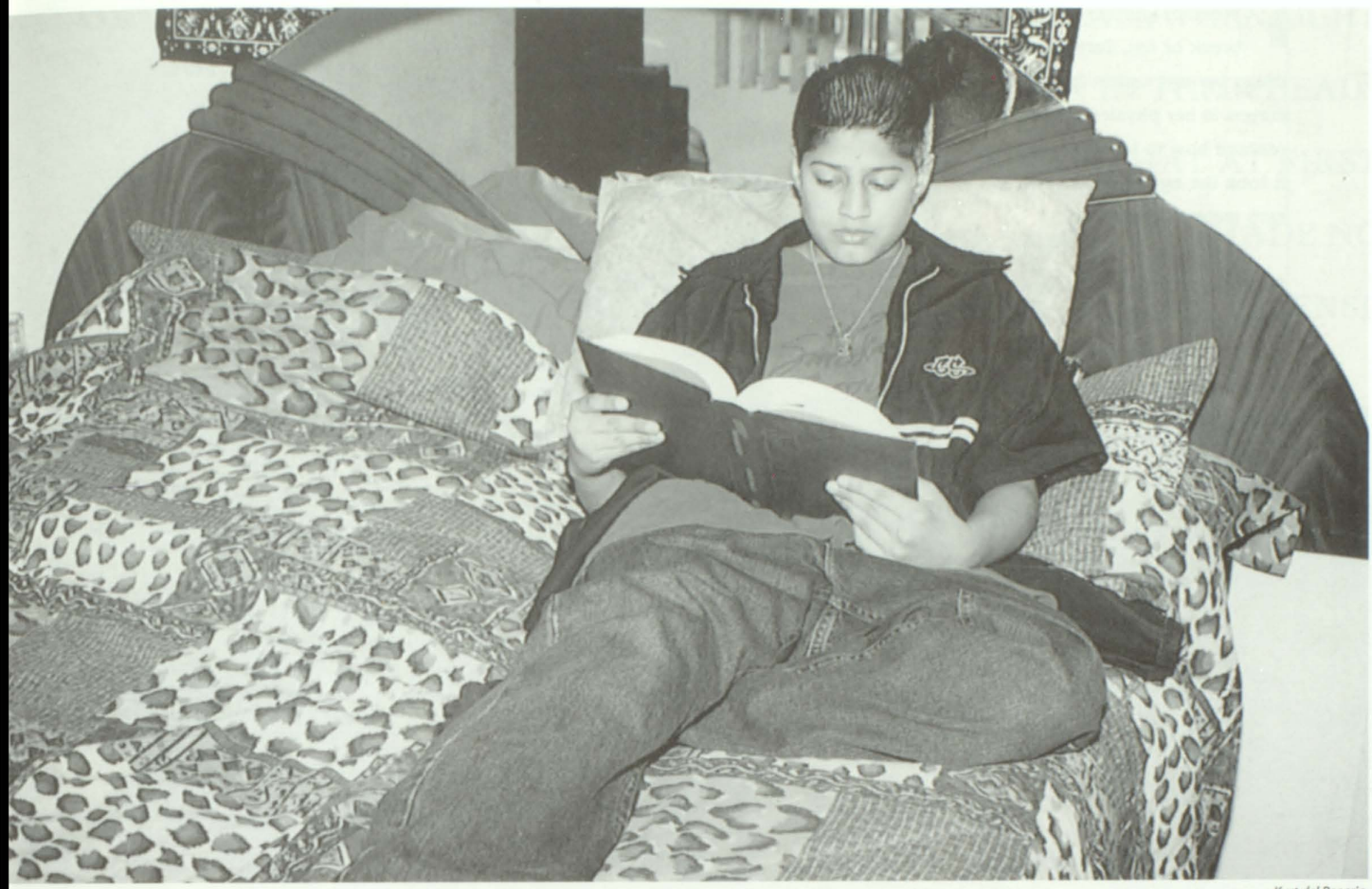
Another sophomore, Randi Martinez, also enjoyed reading. "With outside reading, not only can those people who enjoy reading for fun do what they enjoy, but they can also get credit for reading. V.C. Andrews and Stephen King are my favorite authors, and the book that I would advise people to read is *Ruby* by V.C. Andrews." Junior Purvi Patel had a recomendation. "I like reading mysteries and romances, but sweet romances. *Invasion* by Robin Cook is the book that would rock your world. This book is about little mini-disks that injects liquid into you."

> **"The Rock Says by Dwayne Johnson is the most entertaining book I have ever read."**
>
> **—Nathan Carvalho**

Not everyone was in favor of outside reading, but some were in the "middle." Sophomore Monica Rose said, "I don't enjoy outside reading, but it's a good experience for people, and it gives you an opportunity to read about your interests." Monica also said that her favorites to read were fiction and classics.

Reading too many books could make them blend together so much that you could not remember the author or title of many of your favorite books. Senior Viradel Porciuncula read mysteries, horror and action books. "I have a lot of favorite authors and books, but I've read so many that I've forgotten the authors and books," said Viradel.

Reading books could also make an impact on your life and even change it. Senior Rasheel Dhillon said, "I read *Bluest Eyes* by Toni Morrison. It made me think about the discrimination that African-Americans went through as children. It made me realize how discrimination affects someone's life."



Kurt del Rosario

Resting comfortably on his bed, freshman Sundeep Dhillon takes time out from playing basketball and watching wrestling to read a book. He is reading *Mankind: Have a Nice Day* by Mick Foley.



Ann Lan

Snuggled up on the couch, junior Tim Munro reads a book. Sometimes he is so engrossed in a book that he loses track of time and ends up being late for work.



Ann Lan

Finished with her biology work, Joslyn Knight decides to spend her time reading. Reading was one of Joslyn's favorite hobbies.

top selling horror and suspense books of the 20th Century

- *Hannibal* by Thomas Harris
- *Hearts in Atlantis* by Stephen King
- *Vittorio* by Anne Rice
- *American Psycho* by Bret Easton Ellis
- *House of Secrets* by Lowell Caulfield
- *Cry to Heaven* by Anne Rice
- *Tale of the Body Thief* by Anne Rice
- *Bag of Bones* by Stephen King
- *Blue Moons* by Laurell K. Hamilton

—YAHOO Books Top Sellers Website

Wondering if her egg will break or not, Sara Razaee drops her egg carton from two meters in her physics class. Sara realized how to increase the time it took the egg to slow down to zero meters per second.

Grabbing a meter stick, John Magat gets ready to tie a rock to it. After a physics lecture, John understood how to calculate the weight of the rock without weighing it.



Stewart Merrell



Stewart Merrell

Matt Clark and Laura O'Neill dissect a cat in Anatomy/ Physiology. After getting help, Laura figured out which muscles she was observing.



Shilpa Andalka

THE AH HA phenomenon

STUDENTS RECALL WHEN LIGHT BULBS WENT ON IN THEIR HEADS ABOUT THINGS THAT AT FIRST MADE NO SENSE

by stewart merrell

Listening to the teacher talk on and on when it does not make any sense whatsoever could be quite tedious, but right then the AH HA phenomenon hit, and it actually made sense. That instant of understanding could be priceless.

Tuning out in the middle of class was a common response for junior Patty Bath when things made no sense. Patty said, "I was sitting in dance class and I zoned out when the teacher stopped talking and the music started playing. Then I realized that my feet were supposed to be over there!"

When a student did not understand the basic rules, it was hard to make sense of things. In Conceptual Physics, senior John Magat said, "Mr. Kawamura had this crazy physics game where we had to figure out the rules of the game. Every time I thought I was about to get it, I got it wrong. Then, like five weeks later, my friend wrote it down on paper and it just clicked in my head."

If a student was not paying attention to what was going on, he or she might have missed out on things. Freshman Shayna Butler said, "Once in P.E., I wasn't paying attention. We were playing indoor soccer, and I was talking to my friend when my team went up. After they were almost done, I realized it was my team and I ran out to help them."

Chemistry Honors was sometimes hard to understand for William Tu, junior. "The teacher may be writing or explaining something, and I can't get what it means. But then I go home and check my notes, and it all makes sense," said William.

> **"I learned to pay attention to what was going on around me, not just to my friend."**
> **—Shayna Butler**

Sitting in biology, freshman Rochelle Mitchell said, "When my science teacher was talking about atoms and how Rutherford did the gold foil experiment, I was thinking 'what?' But then two weeks later, it hit me! I got it and felt so much better."

After the AH HA phenomenon hit them, students understood what was going on. In the end they solved the problem they had.



Aubrey St. Marie



Ann Lan

top discoveries of the 20th Century

- air flight
- automobile
- mass production
- antibiotics
- computers
- nuclear power
- space flight
- Internet
- genetic engineering
- cell phones

—www.amazon.com

***Making a poster in World* History, Shawna Denos writes out the absolute and relative pros and cons about communism. Shawna was happy when she figured out what they were because initially the terms were confusing to her.**

***While in Ms. Belinda Brackett's* English 11 class, Patty Bath takes notes on commercials. Patty realized how after seeing a commercial repeatedly she would remember the product being advertised.**

We hold the Future

Drum major Eryk Bateman leads the Marching Band at the opening of the Unity Day Rally. Eryk took first place for drum major at the Santa Cruz Band Review where 45 different schools competed.

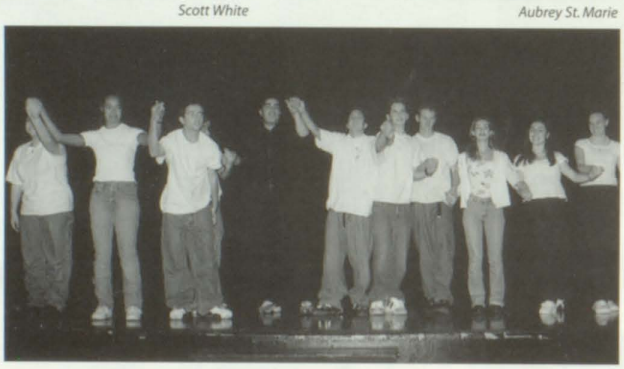


Aubrey St. Marie

With a group of over 100 students, Ashkan Dorodyan donates blood during the October Blood Drive. Along with orange juice and cookies, each donor received two tickets to AMC theaters.



Scott White



Aubrey St. Marie

The Advanced Drama cast takes a bow after their short skits depicting the rules of the school. This was a creative way for new students to get acquainted with Irvington.

At the Winter Ball, Chris Vlach and Shawna Denos hold each other while dancing the night away. This set the mood for "A Moment Frozen in Time."



Aubrey St. Marie

by **Richelle Nobles**
Diane Stendahl

Time ran short for many Irvington students with the onset of homework, studying, and the dreaded all-nighter. However, even with this urgency, students set aside time to participate in activities such as ASB, blood drives, car washes, fund-raisers and clubs like the PAD, CSF and MeChA.

Activities provided ways for students to either employ or consume the precious hours of the day. Patrons to a good cause, over 100 students donated blood to the Red Cross saving over 300 lives. These students took a little time out of their lives and gave the precious time of life to people who needed it.

If there was time for work then there was time for play. School dances provided much relief with carefree fun and a chance to socialize with friends. However, a tide of misfortune hit the Homecoming Dance: unexpected details such as a blaring fire drill siren or the fact that the lights could not be adjusted to suit the evening. Other dances fared better. The Winter Ball went as planned as the music, atmosphere, and glowing stick décor tied together and made a memorable moment frozen in time.

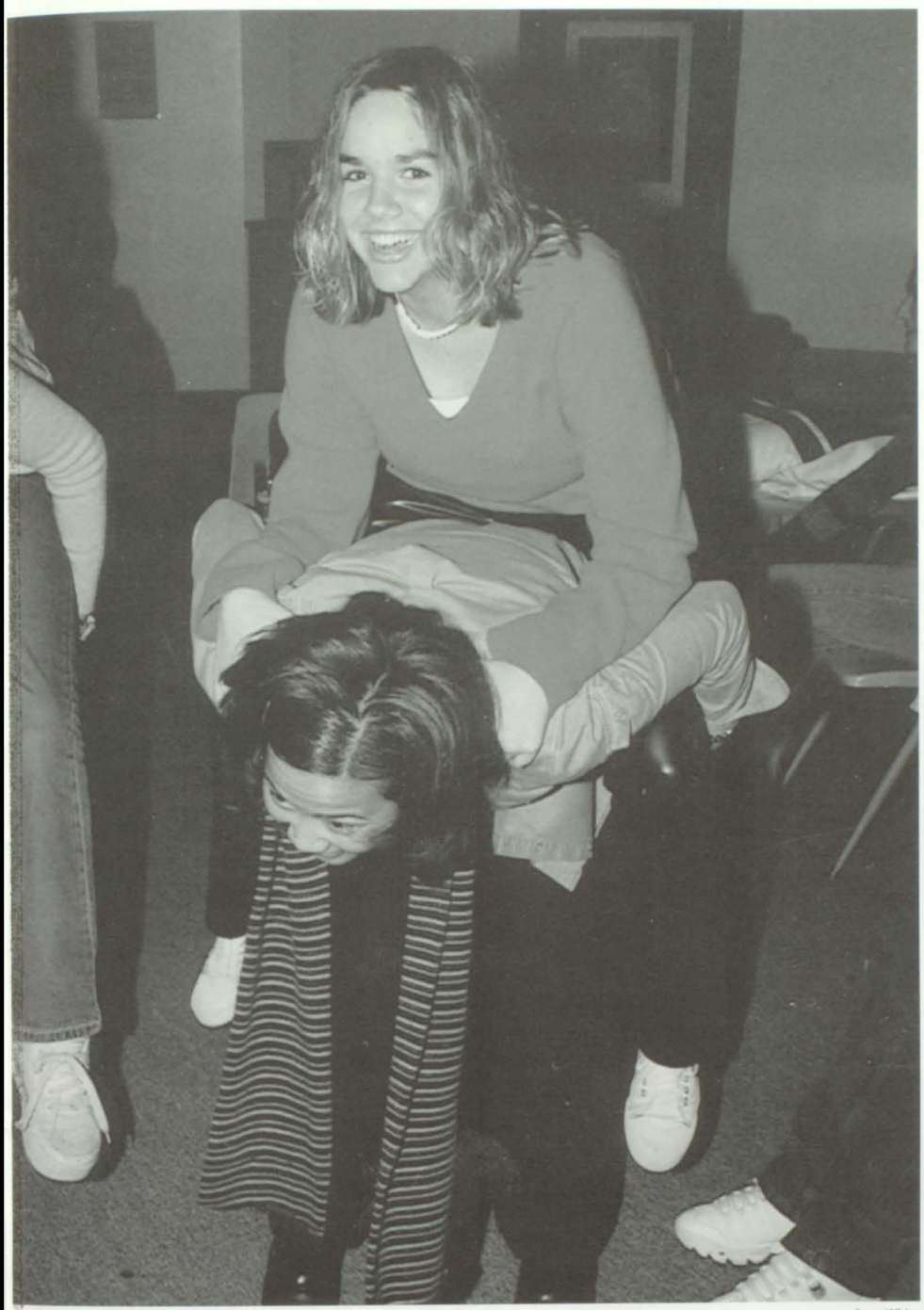
The ASB, under the guidance of Ms. Julie Myers, still managed school events. The loss of officers due to grades affected ASB but brought the group closer together. This newfound unity resulted in better rallies, dances, and, most significantly, greater school involvement.

The last year of the Millennium gave rise to the birth of many new and unique clubs. Students catered to their tastes and enriched IHS. The Computer Club breathed life into computers in disrepair. Students interested in deejaying started the club called Phonographics. Filmworks edited movies with state-of-the-art computer programs and released a video of Spirit Week 1999.

Many groups faced the effects of the modernization construction. Some embraced it while others cringed. The renovation of Valhalla got shifted back which forced PAD to move the Spring Musical production during the installation of professional sound and lighting systems and real theater seating. In effect PAD was delayed in order to be brought up to speed.

Irvington's Marching Band's many fund-raisers earned them much needed new uniforms to wear in competitions and at the Homecoming Game. In addition, the staff of *The Viking Voice* used digital publishing for the first time instead of the conventional cut and paste techniques.

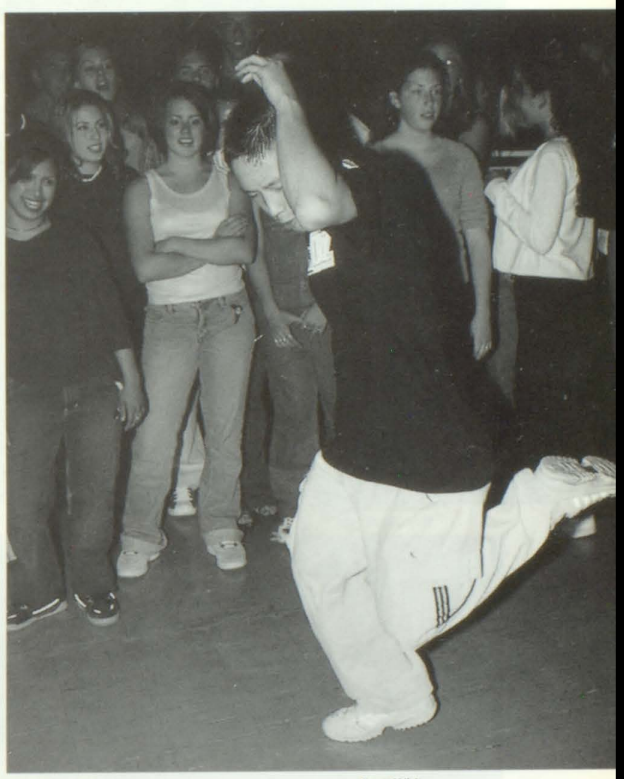
These groups kept up with the pace of change and, as a result, improved Irvington.



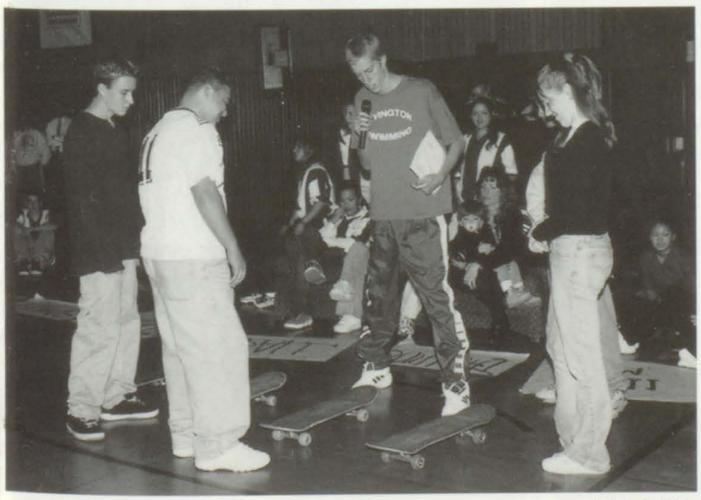
Scott White

Man overboard! Leslie Abarientos and Laura Clay demonstrate their skill at "Poop Deck" at the ILC exchange with Mission's ASB. The game was used as an ice-breaker between each school's ASB members.

Tearing up the dance floor, Keith Ho breaks out with his dancing skills. Little did he know, he was being observed by a crowd of onlookers at the Hello Dance.



Scott White



Aubrey St. Marie

Confused at first, each class member receives instructions at the starting line for the skateboarding game from ASB Rally Commissioner Gene Kendall. This race was just one of many activities presented at the Winter Sports Rally.

FEEL THE BURN, BABY

ASB works hard to bring about positive change

by Christina Garcia and Ann Lan

ASB Council. Front row: Diana Huynh, Catherine Pomeroy, Katherine Griffith, Britney Petrini, Scott White, Victor Wong, Miriam Carvalho, Nima Khanghahi Leslie Abarientos. **Second row:** Emory Lee, Laura Clay. **Third row:** Boris Reznikov, Elizabeth Phan, Mary Gonzalez, Tryphena Mlay, Courtney Delzompo, Desiree Jabson, Noosha Kahali and Victoria Hill. **Back row:** Jose Salazar, Doug Brock, Veronica Caballero, Ryan Hughes, Farah Kamal, Patrick Morris, Gene Kendall, Laura Nielsen, Ian Morris, Jared Mathews, Fletcher Wimbush, Ms. Julie Myers, adviser.

"Striving to inspire the spirit of the Viking in all students, staff and community members by allowing all voices to be heard..."

—*ASB Mission Statement*



Kurt del Rosario



Kurt del Rosario

At the Hello Rally, a crowd of fellow ASB members attacks Patrick Morris while he sings the Beastie Boys' *Girls* as part of the karaoke game. Some of his more overzealous fan club members made off with a piece of Patrick: his shoes and his pride.

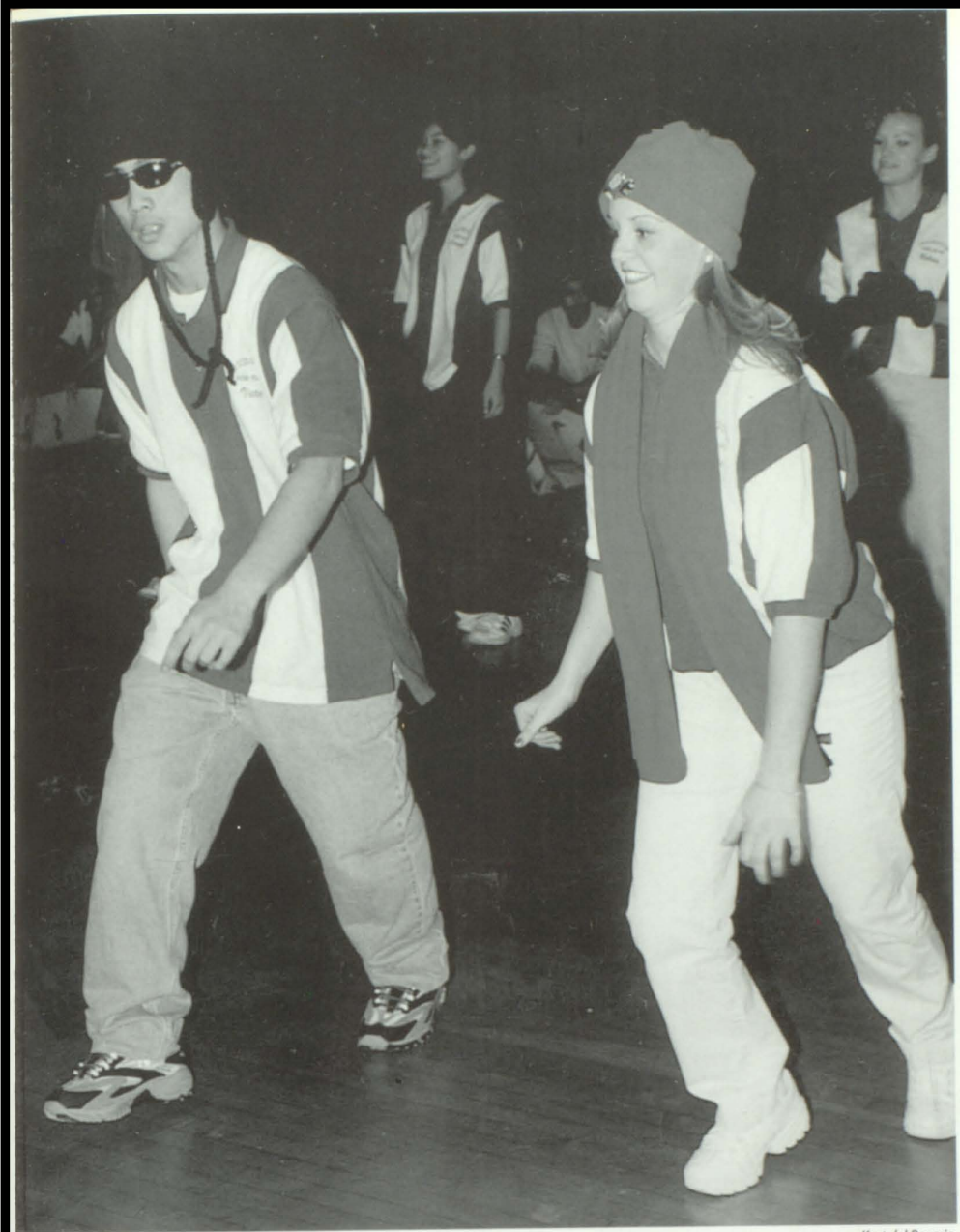
"ASB and you making good things even better!" The Associated Student Body worked hard to bring out the Viking in every student at IHS. The council involved 30 students plus adviser, Ms. Julie Myers. Each one contributed to make the administration and student body a whole.

The ASB took every opportunity they had to raise money to pay for rallies, dances and all student activities. They sold Irvington imprinted seat cushions, license plate frames, neck straps, sweatshirts, tee shirts, and tattoos during football games. "We wanted to increase school pride," said adviser, Ms. Julie Myers. They had a budget of about $34,000 for expenses. They also purchased a brand new $8,000 stereo system. Also, ASB members paid motivational speaker Micah Jacobson to talk to students. This cost them around $550. With all these expenses, ASB tried hard to make the money last and at the same time make events enjoyable.

Besides planning rallies, Teacher Appreciation Week and other ASB events, the ASB spent time on making their council the best they could have been. They played games like Poop Deck, which was designed for team building. That helped ASB members become not just classmates, but friends.

Most people forgot that ASB members received grades, too. Many ASB members expressed disenchantment with the grading policy. They realized that the grading policy was necessary for ASB to maintain its high standards. The Council members came to understand that they had to learn to be good role models for the entire student body.

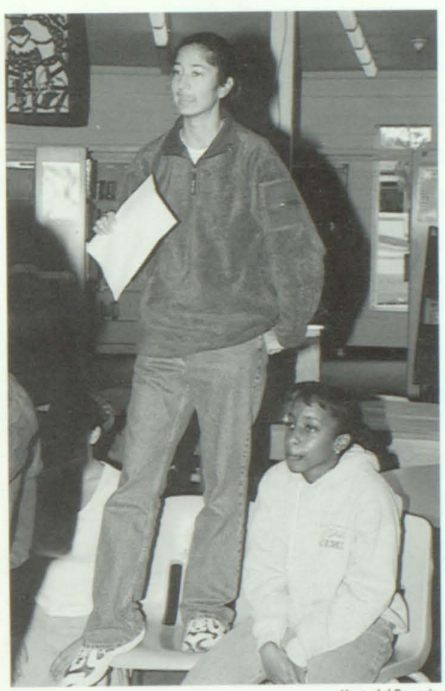
ASB members worked under the constant pressure of projects and school assignments while they worked hard to get the Irvington community involved. So, just remember that the ASB were the ones always feeling the burn while making us proud of IHS.



Kurt del Rosario

Outfitted with beanies and scarves, Victor Wong and Catherine Pomeroy dance during the Winter Rally. "The energy from the crowd made the dance more fun for me," said Catherine.

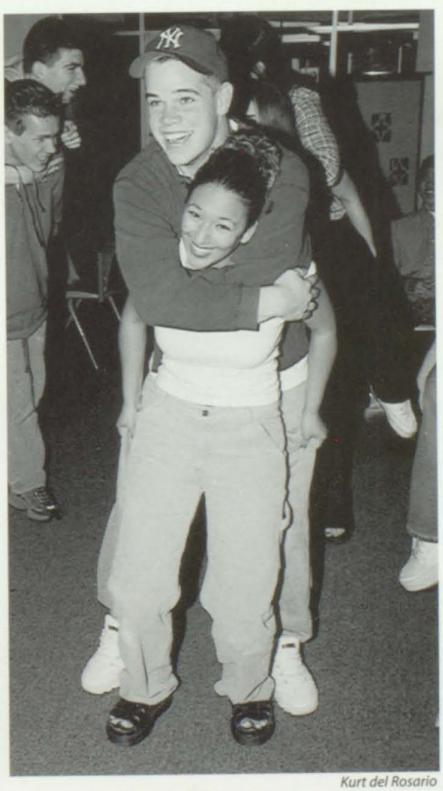
Standing atop a chair, Farah Kamal awaits for the ASB staff's attention. "It's cool being in ASB," said Farah.



Kurt del Rosario



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While planning for upcoming ASB events, Fletcher Wimbush talks to the ASB Council. As the ASB president, Fletcher enjoyed the position and the decision-making duties it entailed.

Miriam Carvalho struggles to carry Jared Mathews in a game of Poop Deck during a joint ASB meeting with Kennedy High School. Poop Deck's goal is to foster team-building skills.

ACT 1 SCENE TWO

PAD overcomes all obstacles that lie in their path

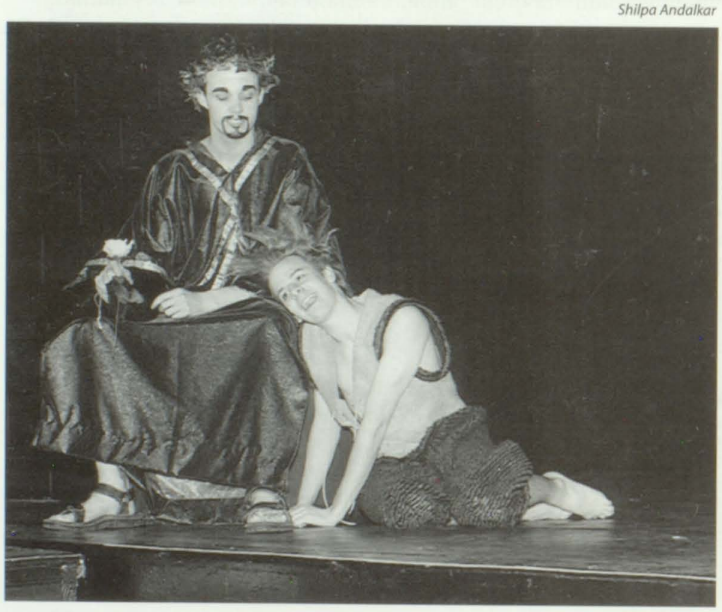
by Rasheel Dhillon



Shilpa Andalkar

William Shakespeare (Eric Atkins) starts the show by introducing three of his plays. *Midsummer Night's Dream, Macbeth and Twelfth Night* were all part of the *Miniature Classics* production.

In *Midsummer Night's Dream,* Puck (Michael LaPlante) lays his head on the lap of his master, Oberon (Ben Zarzycki). Oberon tells Puck to spy on Titania.



Shilpa Andalkar

For the entire year, PAD, the Performing Arts Department, faced several obstacles, such as construction schedules in Valhalla and last minute cast changes. Mr. Jon Nagal, new drama teacher, said, "One of the main obstacles was the construction schedules because after moving things at the start of the year, we later find out that the date of construction was postponed."

Right after PAD heard that Valhalla would not be available for their productions, they decided to do a small production, *The Miniature Classics*, a condensed version of three plays written by playwright William Shakespeare, *Midsummer Night's Dream, Macbeth and Twelfth Night*. In the middle of their preparations, Valhalla became available because the date of construction had been moved back.

At first, PAD was happy with the news, then they realized that "We had to start from scratch," said junior Heather Heddlesten. They had to expand their already planned production by building bigger sets and re-doing the technical parts of the production.

When this occurred, many students dropped out due to the short time frame they had before opening day. Ms. Linda Jackson, drama teacher, and her two assistant directors, seniors Jennifer Brown and Jillian Doying, had to recast the parts. The new actors included Bryce Taylor, Lewis Jackson, Steven Seidler and Tasi Joe. Brittany Dunn, junior, said, "We had a lot of last minute rehearsing. We stayed late every night two weeks prior to the first show." Their hard work paid off because the show ended up being a hit.

In the spring, PAD held their musical production, *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*. "Charlie Brown is a celebration of life and it is our tribute to Charles Schultz," said Ms. Jackson. She believed that *Charlie Brown* always gave people a positive attitude on life. Audiences left the show in good spirits.

Even with everything against them, PAD fought back by working harder because as the saying goes, "The show must go on."

> "We stayed late every night for two weeks prior to the first show to rehearse."
>
> —Brittany Dunn, 11th



Shilpa Andalkar

In *Macbeth*, Ariel Schwitalla, Tamara Romero, Chantel Shaw play the three wicked witches. They cast a spell that will make Macbeth king but also foreshadows his death.

Lady Macbeth (Heather Quinne) reads a sad letter from Macbeth. The letter informs her that Macbeth will not be king.

In a play within *Twelfth Night*, Brent Schrodetzki (bottom as Pyramus) commits suicide. His lover, Thesebie (Steven Seidler), cries out and kisses him frantically.



Shilpa Andalkar



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Rasheel Dhillon

PAD (Performing Arts Department). Front row: Tamara Romero, Rebecca Morgan, Letetia Hall, Linda Jackson, adviser, Casi Maggio, Ryan Silveira. **Second row:** Marissa Nichols, Rochelle Mitchell, Jennifer Holtzer, Josh Gila, Lori Drake, Heather Heddlesten, Michael LaPlante, Stefanie Eicke. **Third row:** Quynh Nguyen, Jeff Walter, Shayna Butler, Alison Pinto, Jessica Miller, Crystal Stader, Brian Lands, Ariel Schwitalla, Sarah Bruce, Ian Morris, Brittany Herz, Ryan Serene, Matt Ritter.

Treble Ensemble. Front row: Kimberly Snyder, Patricia Bath, Amanda Vick, Sarah Hall, Mariejhun Aguas, Debbie Navarro, Nicole McNeil. **Second row:** Melanie Kerns, Caitlin Hiller-Toureau, Laura Nielsen, Brittany Herz, Amber Miller. **Back row:** Rebecca Lindsay, Colene Larson, Jennifer Knight, Anna Da Costa.



Scott White



M.E. Roman

With his head on her shoulder, Leslie Abarientos serenades Danny Milliard, a Mission student, during the Winter Concert. This was one event where rival schools performed under one roof.

In perfect synchronization, Thor Throats members Brian Sothcott, Jillian Doying, Ben Zarzycki, Amanda Vick, Stephanie Hammack, Mike LaPlante, and Leslie Abarientos dance while singing. Multi-tasking was key in being part of the song and dance troupe.

Without one nervous bone in their bodies, Stacey Mutter, Patricia Bath and Kimberly Snyder sing away at the Winter Concert. The Treble Ensemble often regarded school performances as "practice" for performances held at other schools.



M.E. Roman



Scott White

MUSIC OF THE HEART

Members of the choirs use singing as means of expression

by Jessica Bonham and Diane Stendahl

Students at Irvington expressed their talents in many ways: some through art, poetry, drama, and dance. Those who chose singing used it as a means of release that was taken seriously. It was as if what they felt inside resonated through their voices.

For some, Beginning Choir was the starting point for pursuing a career as a vocalist. Sophomore Ben Martinez wanted to go "all the way" and become a part of the Thor Throats. "I just want to reach the level of N*SYNC and 98 Degrees, that's all," Ben said.

The members of the Chamber Chorale admitted no ulterior motives when they auditioned to get into the group. "I stayed in Chamber Chorale because of the people and the Disneyland trip, of course," said Brenna Prevost, senior. Many more also felt that the main reasons for staying in Chamber Chorale were the bonding experiences, performances, as well as the four-day tour in L.A.

Singers in the Tremble Ensemble had a chance to train their vocal chords in a way that could lead to professional opportunities. "Singing in different languages improves your fluidity because it stresses the part of your vocals that you normally would never use. Besides that, I took the class just so I wouldn't embarrass myself whenever I'd have to participate in karaoke nights," said senior Colene Larson.

The students in Thor Throats, also audition-based, made sure they stood out. They added Broadway-like dance steps into their performances and had the chance to compete with other schools. For senior Amanda Vick, the challenge was well worth the effort, "It's really hard to have everything rehearsed right before any concert. But in the end, the obstacles that we overcome together brings us closer." The troupe performed around the Bay Area.

While some joined choir for self-betterment, pride, gratification, or even friendship, there was no doubt that the members of each singing group brought enjoyment to their audiences.



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Thor Throats. Front row: Ben Zarzycki, Amanda Vick, Casi Maggio, Brian Sothcott. **Second row:** Jillian Doying, Leslie Abarientos. **Back row:** Louis Pedroza, Stephanie Hammack, Mike LaPlante.



M.E. Roman

"Choir is just one of those places where you could just unwind and let out all the tension you get from school."

—Brian Sothcott, 12th

Chamber Chorale. Front row: Ben Zarzycki, Leslie Abarientos, Stephanie Hammack, Jillian Doying, Amanda Vick, Joelle Fletcher, Rachel Nelson, Chris Dauz. **Second row:** Brian Sothcott, Stefanie Eicke, Denise Bennett, Matthew Clark, Caitlin Hillier-Toureau, Matt Creasman, Brenna Prevost, Casi Maggio, Louis Pedroza, Mike LaPlante. **Back row:** Steven Joseph, Katie Knight, Brent Schrodetzki, Debbie Navarro, Joe Guinto, Rebecca Lindsay.

THIS IS THE BAND

This is a group of musicians who are not afraid to give their all

by Amanda Lau

Melodious sounds wafted from the band room as the musicians rehearsed. The year was a combination of old traditions and new surprises for the members of the IHS bands.

After having only tattered, 20-year-old uniforms to wear, the Marching Band decided that it was time to buy new ones. In order to raise money, they spent months selling candy and looking for funding. Generous donations from families, businesses, and the school helped to relieve the $25,000 cost. Their hard work paid off when the uniforms arrived. Everyone received an overcoat, pants, and marching shoes. At the Unity Day Rally, the band proudly wore their new uniforms. How did the uniforms affect the band's morale? Sophomore Richard Cardadeiro (trombone) said, "They're wearing something that's professional. It makes them march with pride."

The Marching Band proved to be a formidable contender when it battled against other schools. Mr. Charles Rodda, director, held band camp a week before school in order to prep them on marching drills. At the Westside Classics in Newman, they earned third place. Freshman Bree Turpin (clarinet) said that it had been 26 years since the band as a whole earned an award. Drum major Eryk Bateman, senior, also earned second place honors. At the competition in Santa Cruz, Eryk earned first place. Although they did not place in the Newark Days Parade or in Campbell, the band still put on a strong performance.

In honor of the holiday spirit, the Concert Band performed at the annual Winter Concert in December. They played such classics as *The Nutcracker Suite*. "I think we did a splendid job," said senior Lyssi Baugher (clarinet).

At the seventh period bell, the members of the Jazz Ensemble filed in. "I wanted to learn new skills; I wanted to learn jazz," said sophomore Monica Rose (baritone saxophone). In Jazz Ensemble students learned a variety of styles like big band.

With their new awards and a fierce determination, the bands proved that they had what it took to truly shine.

> "I liked being a part of the Pep Band because it was a lot of fun. It was also a lot of fun to yell and heckle at the other team."
>
> —Nicholaus Guerrero

As Mr. Charlie Rodda raises his baton, the Wind Ensemble waits in anticipation for the signal to begin. They had less than two months to prepare for the Winter Assembly. Students in Wind Ensemble had to try out for a position ahead of time.



Aubrey St.Marie

During a class rehearsal, Ryan Serene plays his bass clarinet. However, Ryan confessed that he "picked up" this instrument sophomore year in order to get into Wind Ensemble.



Scott White



Aubrey St. Marie

During the annual Winter Concert, Vincent Gatdula plays the flute, which he has been playing for four years. Ironically, band was the fourth elective option on his class sign-up sheet.

Jazz Ensemble. Front row: Monica Rose, Robert Pierce, Anthony Lenci. **Back row:** Greg Lucas, Joe Miozza, Israel Mendoza, Mr. Charles Rodda, director.

As part of the warm-up drill, Anthony Lenci plays the scales on his saxophone. Anthony said that he chose to take seventh period band because he would get credits for doing something that he loved.



Kurt del Rosario



Photographics

Amanda Lau



Marching Band. Front row: Christina Castro, Jenna Butler, Ashley Gonzalez, Amber Lutes, Christine Gervasi, Melissa Lucero, Margaret Gutierrez, Cherisse Simpson, Melody Fontanilla, Jeff Pacoma, Lucy Kendall, Cindy Serene, Jenny Knight, Melody Castro, Mr. Charles Rodda. **Second row:** Hayley Wise, Erik Smith, Matt Mendoza, Karisa Martin, Yun Lian Luo, Arianna Berkin, Nicole Cook, Natalie Lee, Patricia Perez, Andrea Buensuceso, Eric Aguilar, Kim Pham, April Moore, Bree Turpin, Laura Baugher, Joe Miozza, Justin Wang. **Third row:** Adam Iniguez, Thomas Hinderlie, Gersteine Padua, Elena Hoexter, Jennifer Finch , Vincent Gatdula, Yuri Yakubov, Matt Kentgen, Mary Bush, Anthony Lenci, Josh Scott, Kristen Hawkins, Monica Rose, Greg Lucas, Gehad Barghouthi, Ryan Wong, Ryan Serene, Adam Berkin, Anthony Mardiroslan, Matt Rose. **Back row:** Mychal Huynh, Sean Gilvary, John Pfenning, Angelo Siu-Toung, Drew Lance, Chris Mendoza, Renie Yuen, Krystal Phaneuf, James Harris, Nicholaus Guerrero, Pat Zmolek, P.J. Delacruz, Marshall Myers, Israel Mendoza, Robert Pierce, Crystal Butte, Andy Degregorio, Eryk Bateman.

Having wasted most of class time talking, editors Patrick Morris, Tina Le, and Shilpa Andalkar finally get to discussing the layout designs. Staying on task was an everyday struggle.

Standing between Gap shirt twins Ann Lan and Christina Garcia, Richelle Nobles is the odd one out. All three were on the hunt for pictures for their layouts.

Looking attentively, Kurt del Rosario and Aubrey St. Marie pore over sports negatives. All gym and night sports were shot and handprinted by the staff.

Even troubleshooting was the staff's own responsibility. Mathew Gilbuena takes a look at what glitches the computer that Diane Stendahl works on may have.



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Tina Le



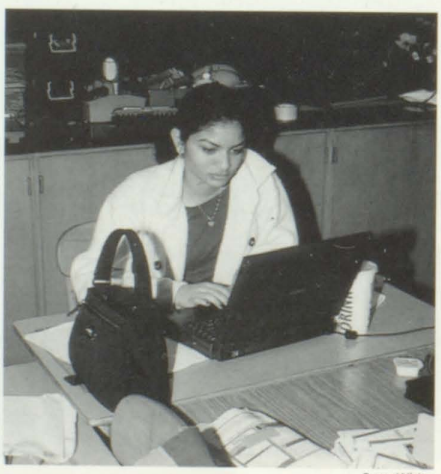
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Only seven computers in the room plus 21 students equals cat fights. Parita Patel solved that problem by bringing her laptop computer to input her layout and text.

It's a race against time for Amanda Lau and Rasheel Dhillon who are responsible for their own Activities layouts. To make things worse, proofs usually arrived during deadlines.



Scott White



Scott White

TIME TO GET A LIFE

by Tina Le

The hardest workers always go unappreciated

Fun and relaxing didn't describe the lives of *Saga* staff members. Most students did not know what they were getting into—and didn't get it until after they missed the January deadline big time. Production of the yearbook was a business with a $41,000 budget. It was up to these students, with a range of different skills and backgrounds, to undertake it singlehandedly.

Because they could not let the school down by leaving them bookless in June, absolutely no deadline could be missed, even with the extra 16 pages the staff lovingly added to this volume. The penalty for the missed deadline in January was the real threat of a delayed delivery date.

The staff used the same layout program as professional publications and relied on no prepared templates from the publishing company which some yearbooks used. Each of the section layouts were originally designed from scratch under strict design rules, all for the National Scholastic Press Association to judge. At many points throughout the year, co-editor Shilpa Andalkar, senior, would become fed up with designs and the lack of creativity. "I hate designing templates," she said. But just look at all the wonderful stuff she created. By February 2000, Taylor Publishing Company had chosen the book to be a sample book for distribution across the U.S.

That was not the only thing. Students had to learn how to conduct surveys and interviews with strange kids they had never met, write high quality text properly, and shoot all pictures excluding the portraits. New arrivals joined the staff only to be bombarded with strange new terms of measurement called "picas" and unwieldy instruments known as "croppers." Some took to the layout program, QuarkXpress, like a fish to water, saving the rest of the staff from any unruly harm when the last few hours of a deadline sneered them in the face. Many tried all the wrong things that could be done on a layout to make the fate of a deadline in jeopardy before realizing how to utilize the program successfully.



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Her face hiding the stress, Jessica Bonham has to correct proofs in the midst of completing another deadline. Staffers had to deal with these interruptions at the worst times.



M.E. Roman

Saga 2000 Staff. **Front row:** Jason Chan, Mathew Gilbuena, Amanda Lau, Rasheel Dhillon, Shilpa Andalkar. **Second row:** Kurt del Rosario, Tamara Lukas, Amy Thomas, Parita Patel, Loni Lasseter, Christina Garcia. **Third row:** Ann Lan, Diane Stendahl, Jessica Bonham, Tina Le, Aubrey St. Marie. **Not present:** Richelle Nobles, Stewart Merrell, Scott White

On weekend workdays, students and adviser Ms. Mary Roman showed up hoping to finish a deadline within a few hours. Almost always, they would end up working into the night, dreaming of real food and not the prepackaged or lip-smacking "just add water" type their pipsqueak of a budget would allow.

It was nice when Ms. Roman got a refrigerator, though. The staff bought it for her with the premeditation of monopolizing it for their own uses, rather than for her wheaty organic health foods.

Yearbook taught valuable lessons about time management, proper English grammar, communications skills, and how to microwave Ramen noodles. The staff had undertaken the most difficult course in the history of high school, but wound up with a measly 10 credits that ought have been 1,000,000.

"If you are reading this right now, you don't know how lucky you are."

—Ms. Roman, to the reader, referring to the struggles the staff faced in meeting their publisher's deadlines

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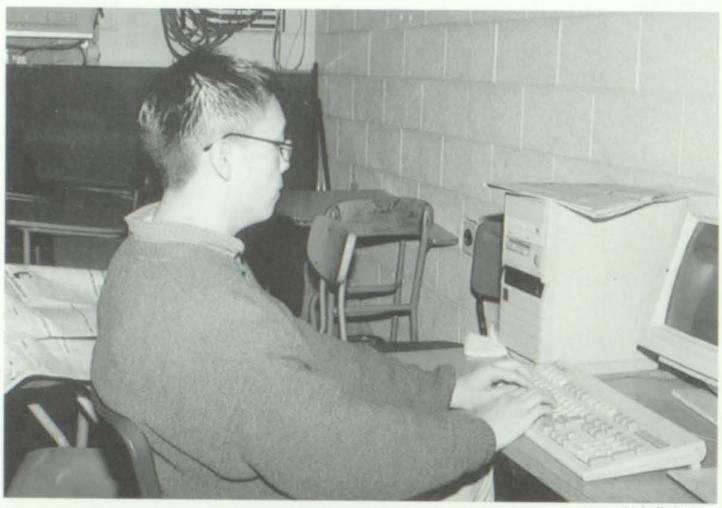
The Viking Voice faces a few technical difficulties

by Jessica Bonham

In an effort to raise money for the newspaper, Vernon Smith contacts local sponsors. The entire staff was regularly encouraged to participate in fund-raising.



Richelle Nobles



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Richelle Nobles

Using the program QuarkXpress, Thang Pham lays out the spread for the editorial page. As a veteran of the journalism staff, Thang was known as one of the "masters of Quark."

While discussing the content of their articles, Anh Thai and Steven Fan contribute ideas for each-other's pages. Teamwork was vital during deadlines.

"I am, so lucky to be a part of a group of talented writers. I see in us a lot of leadership and success in journalism."

—Matt Hebb, 12

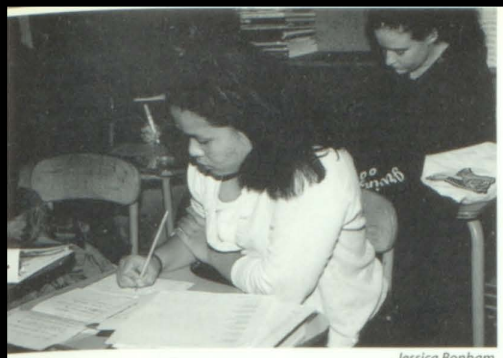
Though most of the student body was oblivious, there were definite changes in the format, technique, and direction of the IHS newspaper. The *Viking Voice* was emerging into the marvels of technology along with a fresh new attitude.

With a large team of 10 staff writers, four page editors, four assistant editors, and two editors, the *Viking Voice* aimed to be a more factual and professional newspaper. Their new adviser, Ms. Beth Hite, had taught journalism for several years and was ready to arm the staff with a sophisticated style of newspaper reporting. They used the layout program QuarkXpress, as opposed to the ancient method of cut-and-paste that they had previously used. "All of the editors were trained to use Quark to make our newspaper look more 'serious' and competitive," said layout editor Matt Cunha senior.

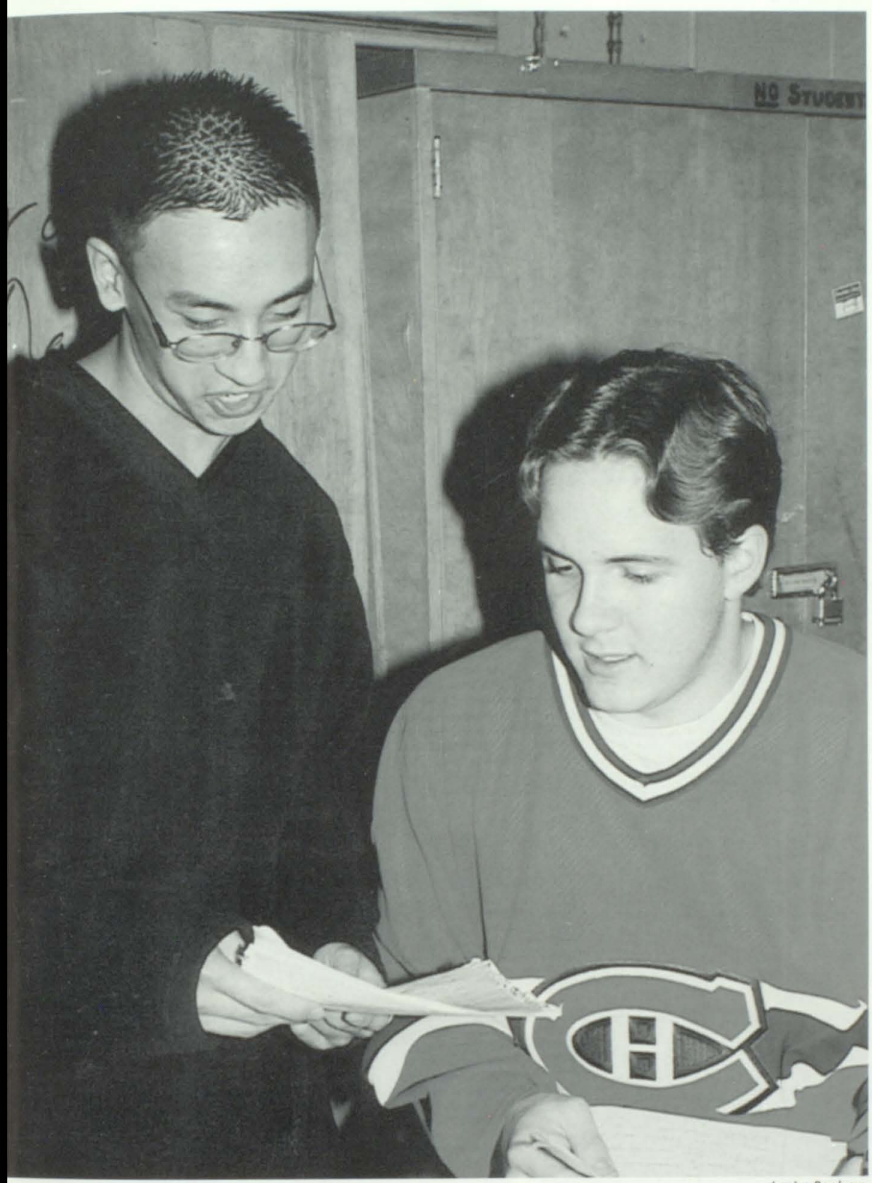
For fund-raising, the staff approached the task in a more effective way. On double block periods, the staff split up in teams of three to go to local businesses that appealed to teenagers and asked them to sponsor the paper. In doing so, the staff was successful in meeting the budget for the printing costs, usually around $400 per issue. Through the efforts of ad manager Jennifer Hankins, the *Viking Voice* established secure connections to ensure a comfortable financial standing.

Although to most students the newspaper seemed to be dawdling in production, the class was focusing on precision rather than time. In addition to the limited access that they had to computers, the staff had problems getting used to Quark. "One reason why the paper was not as consistent as it should have been was because we had a big hierarchy problem. It was hard to know if we were allowed to take charge of ourselves or if Ms. Hite was in charge," said Chris Marshall, senior.

With a new staff, environment, and more money, the *Viking Voice* was able to take the school newspaper to the next level of publication. When things ran smoothly, the staff emerged as a solidified team of potential journalists.



Jessica Bonham

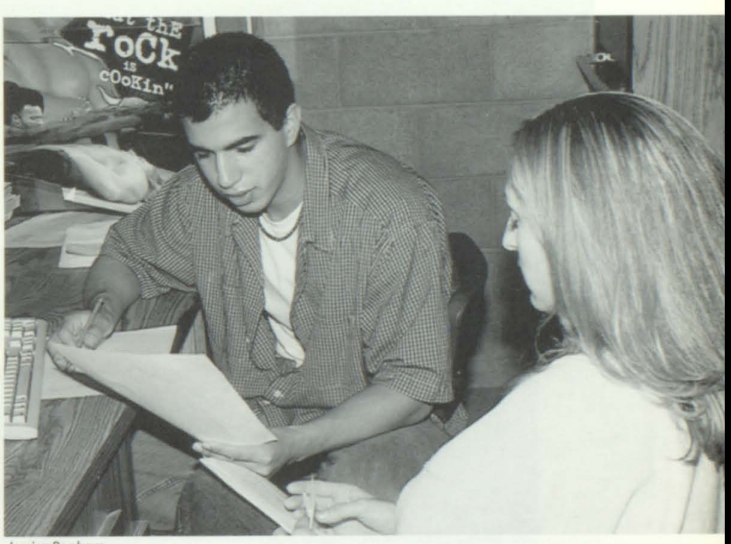


Jessica Bonham

Taking part in a writing drill, Imee Candelario brainstorms a few story leads. Practice was important in improving the quality of the staff's reporting.

Before finalizing his article, Brian Vo consults editor-in-chief Matt Hebb about corrections. Being in charge had its lows including having the responsibility of putting others first.

Interviewing Katherine Griffith for an editorial position, Matt Cunha goes over her resume. The class was often run as a workplace environment.



Jessica Bonham



Diane Stendahl

Viking Voice Staff. Front row: Evgeny Sheyman, Brian Vo, Matt Ritona, John Magat. **Second row:** Jennifer Gibson, Arienne Jacinto, Gloria Kee, Steven Fan, Katherine Griffith, Christine Gervasi, Qiyu Tu. **Third row:** Jennifer Finch, Anh Thai, Kirsten Pfenning, Jessica McCulloch, Imee Candelario, Jennifer Hankins. **Back row:** Matthew Rojanakiathavorn, Vernon Smith, Matthew Hebb, Matthew Cunha, Christopher Marshall, Rajeev Kuruppu.

HELP'S ON THE WAY

Students give a helping hand to serve the community

by Diane Stendahl



Diane Stendahl

Adding a splash of color, Pamela Villaverde decides to give personality to every note. The thank you notes were later distributed to the Rubicon's Children Center.



Scott White

Cutting cookie dough was an easy job for Shireena Desai and Alisha Jensen. They chose to be festive with Christmas tree cutouts for the women at SAVE (Shelter Against Violent Environments).

"This makes a difference in lives that we've helped along the way. We also benefit our lives each time we help the community."

—Karen Yoshimura, 11th

From baked cookies in the month of December to making greeting cards on Valentine's Day, the Service Learning Board helped students earn the 40 service hours needed to graduate. The Service Learning Board organized a variety of services that ranged from clean-up activities at Stivers Lagoon, cookie bake-offs during the holidays, to the Special Olympics.

With so much to do, the Service Learning Board held a number of Service Learning Saturdays. Students who needed hours had an opportunity to help the community without it interfering with their busy schedules during the weekdays. "Usually I don't have a lot of time to spare on the weekdays because I have to do sports and lots of homework. And the time I do have free is on the weekends which works because I can get my hours needed for graduation," said junior Karen Yoshimura.

Out of all the events that the Service Learning Board planned throughout the year, the most impressive to Service Learning assistant Noosha Kahali was the Special Olympics on March 11, 2000. Students assisted in registering athletes and in running the meets. "I really enjoyed this event because it's a chance for those who are handicapped to participate in activities like basketball. It really makes a difference to them and for all the people who volunteered."

The December Service Saturday was one of the most hectic days. Students contributed to make an impact on those who needed help the most. "Everyone helped to make cookies, wrap presents, make Christmas cards, which would be dropped off to the local homeless shelters, and deliver the presents to the kids. This really makes me feel good about myself when I see them smile and laugh while opening the presents," said Service Commissioner Tryphena Mlay, senior.

Students made an impact on their lives as well as the lives of others. Investing their time to help others gave them self satisfaction.



Rasheel Dhillon

Service Learning Board: Front row: Karen Yoshimura, Shireena Desai, Anne Chung, Diana Huynh. **Second row:** Jennifer Byun, Tryphena Mlay, Noosha Kahali, Carolyn Feng, Virginia Huynh. **Back row:** Mr. Nate Ivy, coordinater, Ryan Hughes, Elena Vera, Anh Thai, Farah Kamal, Alisha Jensen, Tiffany Williams.

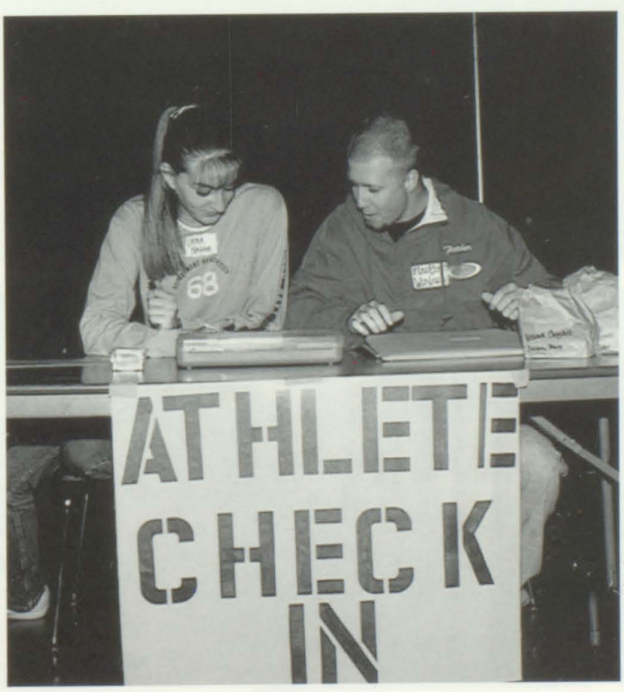
With dough on their hands, Yelina Dere, Mana Kahali and Jessica Perkins add a little more flour to the counter. The cookies would be distributed to the residents at the Tri-City Coalition Center.



Scott White



Scott White



Diane Stendahl

Decorating paper snowflakes, Emory Lee decides to make Christmas cards. These were then given to children in need.

Lending a helping hand at the Special Olympics, Laura Nielsen and Fletcher Wimbush register the participants. These were just two of the 20 students who participated and made the Service Learning Saturday run smoothly.

LET'S GO HAVE FUN

Time to come together to celebrate the uniqueness that is us

by Christina Garcia

"Our purpose was to unify all the different cultures at our school," said junior Noosha Kahali of Multi-Cultural Week March 7-12, 2000. Every day had a different theme and every theme had cultural activity at lunch time.

On Monday, students dressed in Latino inspired attire. Many people wore serapes and sombreros to show their Hispanic spirit. For Latino Day, the MECHA Club purchased a pinata that they hung in the Courtyard for students to swat. Sophomore Jeremy Leonard succeeded in breaking the pinata, and everyone rushed to get a handful of candy. The Union also sold muffins and coffee at lunch as well as cotton candy.

Tuesday was a showcase for various Asian cultures to display their traditions. Lil' Saigon performed a Vietnamese fan dance in the gym. "Asian Day went really well because of all the clubs' cooperation," said junior Elena Vera. In addition, the Pacific Islanders Club danced to an urban hip-hop rhythm. They also provided various foods at lunch, including chow mein and eggrolls.

European Day marked the third day of Multi-Cultural Week. The French and German Clubs sold food and showed the movie *Elizabeth*, about the famous queen of England.

Thursday was the last ethnic day of the week, African Day. Many of the BSU members read poems they wrote themselves, and Ms. Linda Jackson led them in a dance. Sophomore Johanna Murrain composed a poem about African American history. Although the BSU did not serve food, people got a real taste of African culture throughout history.

Unity Day on Friday was supposed to finish off the week. However, the district banned the use of the stands in the gym as a safety hazard and that cancelled the Unity Day Rally.

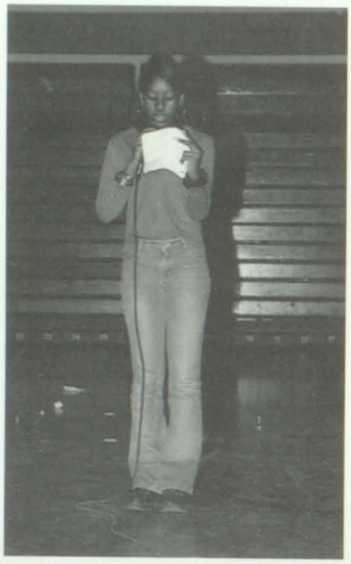
Junior Ryan Hughes, Multi-Cultural Week coordinator, hoped the activities would bring the Irvington community closer. It did bring the community closer not only in school, but also in culture.

Serving chow mein, Desiree Jabson helps out the Pacific Islanders Club. The Pacific Islanders Club was one of several new clubs.

During lunch time performances on African Day, Johanna Murrain reads a poem about African American history. The poem was written by Johanna herself.



Kurt del Rosario



Rasheel Dhillon



Kurt del Rosario

Making their entrance, Lee Mai, Grace Shaw, Angel Mai, Lilace Ronolo, Jaeny Kim, Cheryl Fornoles and Linh Phan prepare to put on a show during lunch time activities for Asian Day. Lil' Saigon was one of the many clubs participating in Asian Day.

"I really liked Multi-Cultural Week because of all the food."

—Jenny Lee, 10th

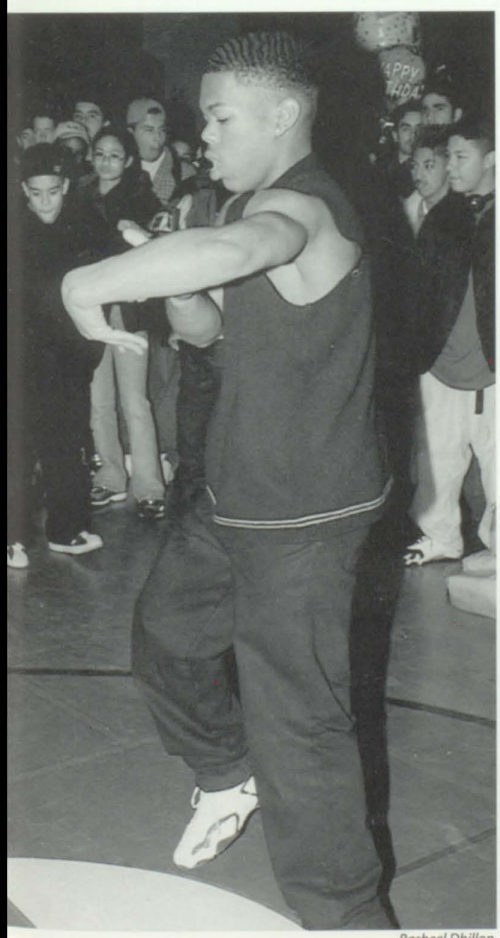


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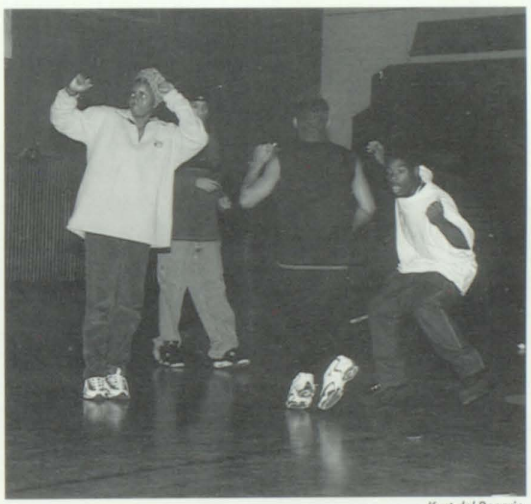
Swinging at the pinata, Jeremy Leonard fights to break open the candy-filled papier mache ball. Jeremy was rewarded with a shower of candy.

As the music plays, Kelly Farley (below left) shows off his dancing skills. Kelly also performed in the dance by the members of the BSU.

Swinging their hips, Tunisia Baldwin, Armohn Jackson, Kelly Farley and Lewis Jackson perform for the crowd of students. The BSU came up with the dance routine in short period of time.



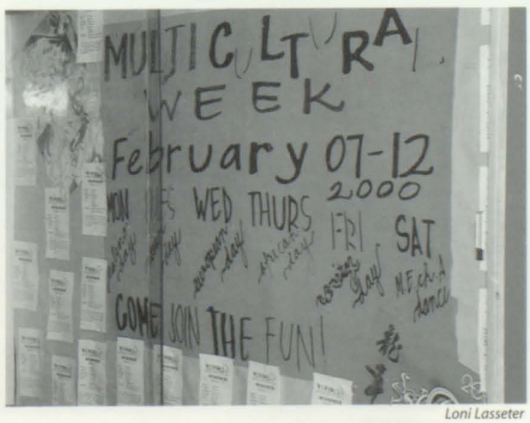
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Angela Joo dances to an urban hip hop rhythm on Asian Day. The Pacific Islanders Club decided to show how dance has evolved throughout history.

In the display case, this sign lists the different days during Multi-Cultural Week. The sign was made by the Multi-Cultural Week Committee.

RALLY UP THE FUN

Students celebrate in a packed and sweaty gym

by Tamara Lukas, Mathew Gilbuena and Amy Thomas



As part of the Chubby Bunny Game, Mitch Mensinger has to stuff his mouth with marshmallows and then say "Chubby Bunny." He won this event for the Senior Class and got to have a sugary snack at the same time.

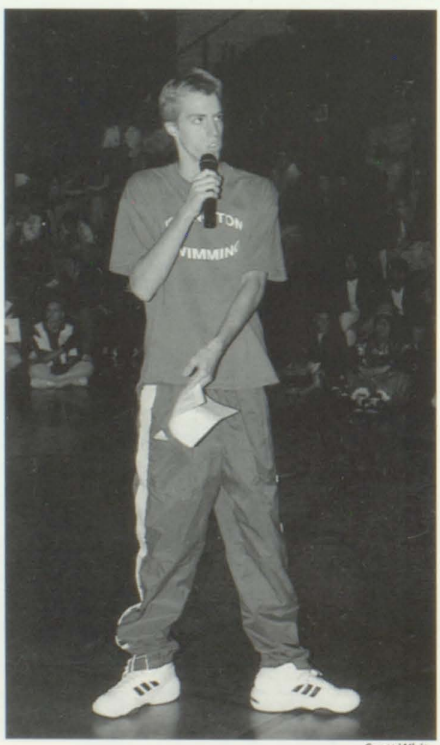
The Girls' Varsity Soccer Team performs a skit for the Winter Sports Rally. They did a can-can style cheerleading routine.

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Introducing the Winter Sports Rally, Gene Kendall talks to the audience. Gene Kendall was the ASB Rally Commissioner.



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"Okay, everyone get the music for the first dance performance! We need marshmallows for the Chubby Bunny game, can someone run down to the store to get them we need them in 15 minutes!" The scenes behind a rally were very hectic and stressful. If things went wrong, the Rally Committee had very little time to fix it.

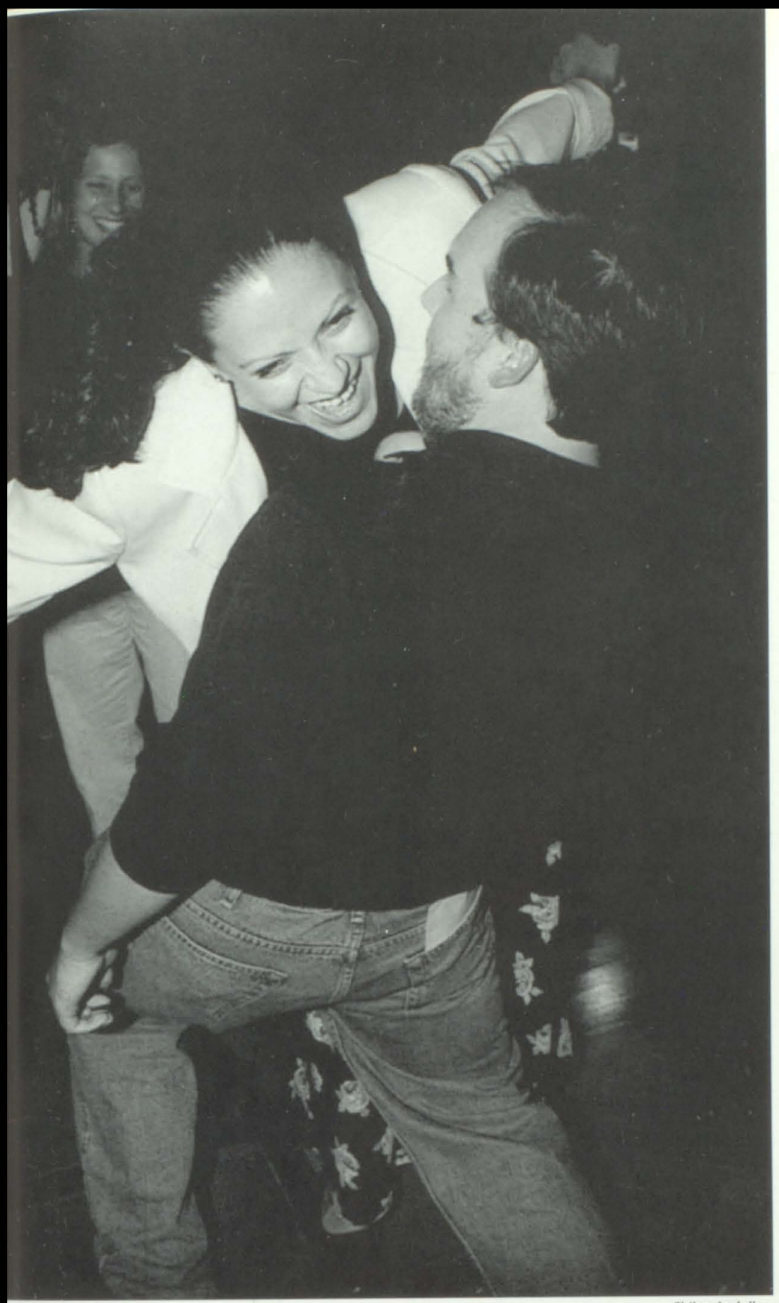
The committee planned all rallies. It consisted of Gene Kendall, Jarrod Matthews, Mary Gonzalez, Mariam Carvalho, Catherine Pomeroy, Katherine Griffith, and all of the ASB staff. Although no one had a specific job, Gene Kendall was the Rally Commissioner. The Rally Committee decided on themes, costs, games, and the props that would be used. Each rally started with an introduction such as the national anthem, and after that there was usually a dance or skit. For the Awards Rally, the committee skipped the dances and skits and went straight to the awards.

The Rally Committee did not have a set budget for each rally because each varied in cost. Most of the rallies cost around $20-25. The Black Light Rally cost $2,000-$3,000 to pay for the rental fee. ASB fund-raised any money they spent on the rallies—that included everything, even the candy they threw to the audience.

The Rally Committee tried to come up with themes for each rally; unfortunately, themes did not always work. For the Welcome Back Rally, the theme was *Austin Powers*. No one actually caught on despite the posters the committee made and the costumes they wore the day before showing the theme of the rally.

Luckily, the Rally Committee did not have very many problems. Right before the Multi-Cultural Rally, the right side of the bleachers broke and they would not come out. The whole student body could not fit into one bleacher so the rally had to be cancelled. Most of their problems could be fixed with some duct tape and confidence. If wires were loose, the committee taped them to the ground to prevent any injuries.

Not only were rallies fun to watch, but they were fun to participate in and be a part of. "I like rallies because [they] allow me to move out of my comfort zone that I am used to having at school," said sophomore Carlene Minyen.



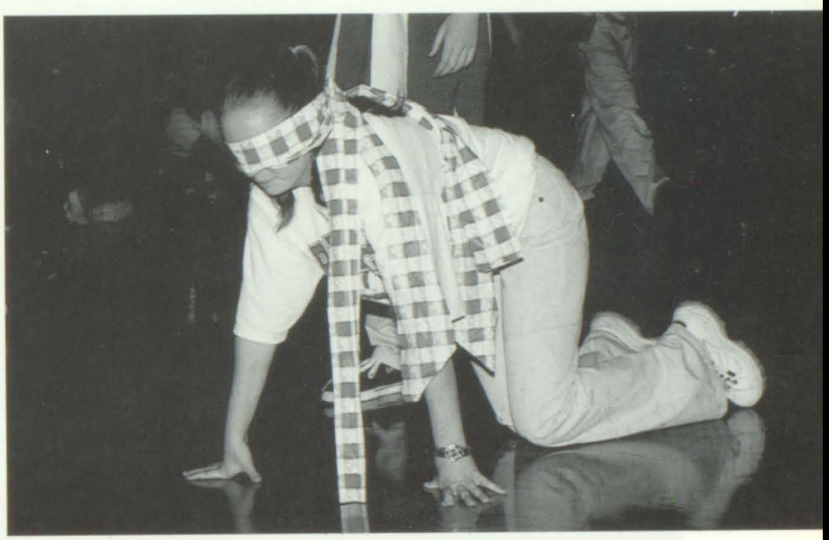
Shilpa Andalkar

"Rallies would be more fun if the audience participated more and made fools of themselves."

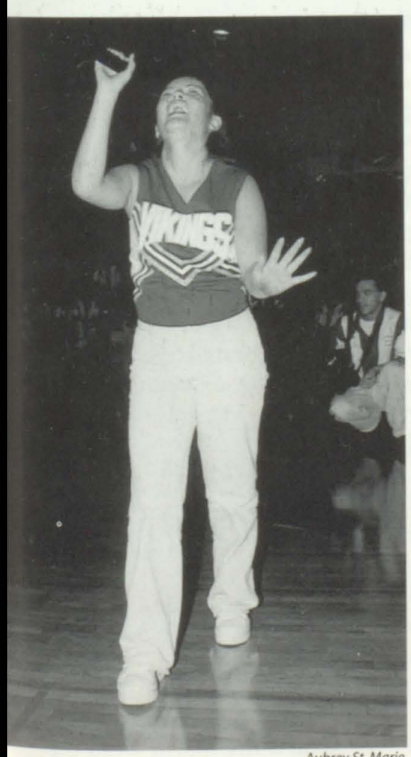
—*Sonya Ayubi, 10th*

As part of a game welcoming new teachers, Ms. Josefina Flores and Mr. Doug Roberts use their chins to pass an orange to each other. Traditionally, the Hello Rally introduces new staff members.

Searching for her partner, Krystal Phaneuf listens for his animal sounds. This was a Hello Rally game.



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Singing for the karaoke skit, Mary Gonzalez plays the fool to her peers. She sang to Limp Bizkit's *Nookie*.

Receiving a bouquet of flowers, Ms. Karen Martens, assistant principal, hugs Britney Petrini. She received flowers as part of staff appreciation during the Hello Rally.

MOVE IT AND DANCE

Students get on their feet and get their groove on

by Richelle Nobles

Some couples take to the dance floor at the Valentine's Dance. MECHA sponsors this annual dance.

Going with her animal instincts, Christina Pedroza tears up the floor. Students made fashion statements at the dances.

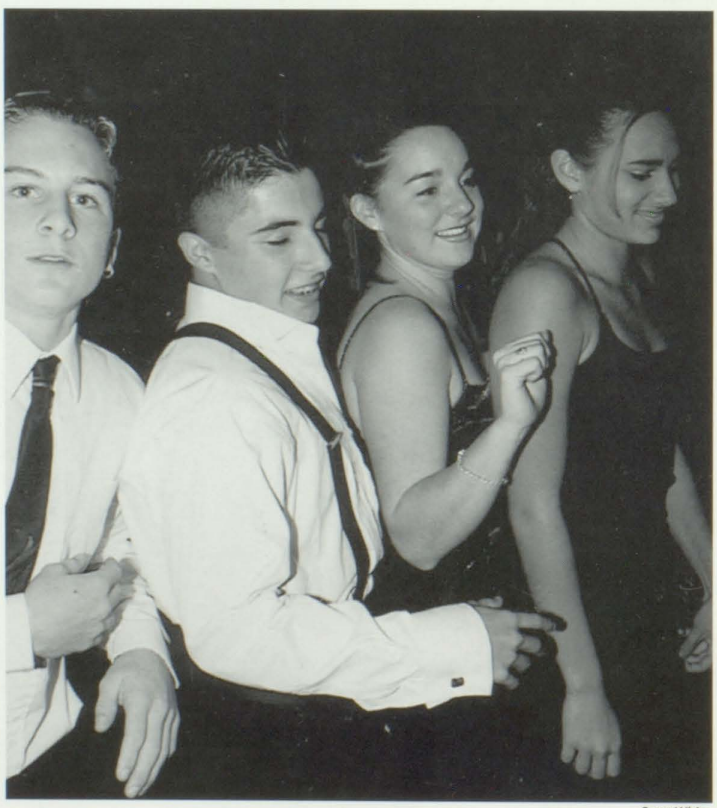
Josh Stone, Rich Cardadeiro, Natalie Burnham and Erica Jhinnu bring up the rear of the conga line at the Valentine's Day Dance.



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"Planning the Winter Ball was a lot of pressure, but the turnout was great and more than ASB had ever expected."

—*Jennilee Gomez, 12th*

"Burn, baby, burn. Disco inferno. Burn, baby, burn!" Students felt the rhythm of the beat and flocked to the dances for a few hours of fun.

At the beginning of the school year, the Hello Dance gave new students a taste of what IHS had to offer and it gave returning students a chance to catch up with old friends and meet new ones. "The music was great, I wanted to get out there all the time," said senior Viradel Porciuncula. The DJs, 3 Style, played a wide variety of music, including dance, hip-hop, disco and oldies. The music went well with the dance's *Austin Powers* theme.

After a victorious win over American High School, Irvington celebrated their triumph at the Homecoming Dance. Most students dressed up for the "Wishing on a Star" theme, though many things went wrong during the first half of the dance. "The radio station, 94.9, didn't show up so there was no music until an hour later when the deejays finally got to the gym. When they got there, they finally opened the gym," Vernon Smith, senior, said. Things seemed to get worse when the fire alarms kept going off during the dance. But the students did not let those setbacks keep them from having a great time at Homecoming Dance.

What better way to start things off for winter break than to have the Winter Ball. The gym was elaborately decorated in accordance to its theme, "Frozen in Time." Once again the DJ's, 3 Style, provided the music for the evening. The revelers enjoyed the Winter Ball not only because it was enchanting, but also because it was the one ASB sponsored dance that did not have any problems. ASB member Jennilee Gomez, senior, said, "Planning the Winter Ball was a lot of pressure, but the turnout was great and more than ASB had ever expected."

The MECHA Club sponsored the Valentine's Dance to fund a scholarship for a selected MECHA member. The club decorated the school gym with festive red and white balloons. The well-attended dance raised about $500.

The dances provided students with the opportunity to dance until they dropped—or until a fire alarm went off.



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Caught off guard, Anna Dacosta holds on to her date when he surprises her with an unexpected dance move. The Winter Ball provided everyone with a few hours of dancing and laughter.

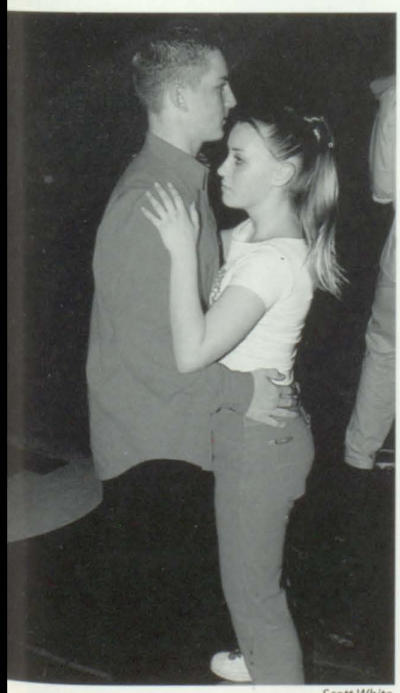


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People watch in amusement as Christian Palacios demonstrates his dancing abilities at the Valentine's Dance. The fast beat music lured all the break dancers out onto the dance floor.

Sporting the right colors for the occasion, Josh Stone and his date go all out in red. Red was the theme for the Valentine's Dance.

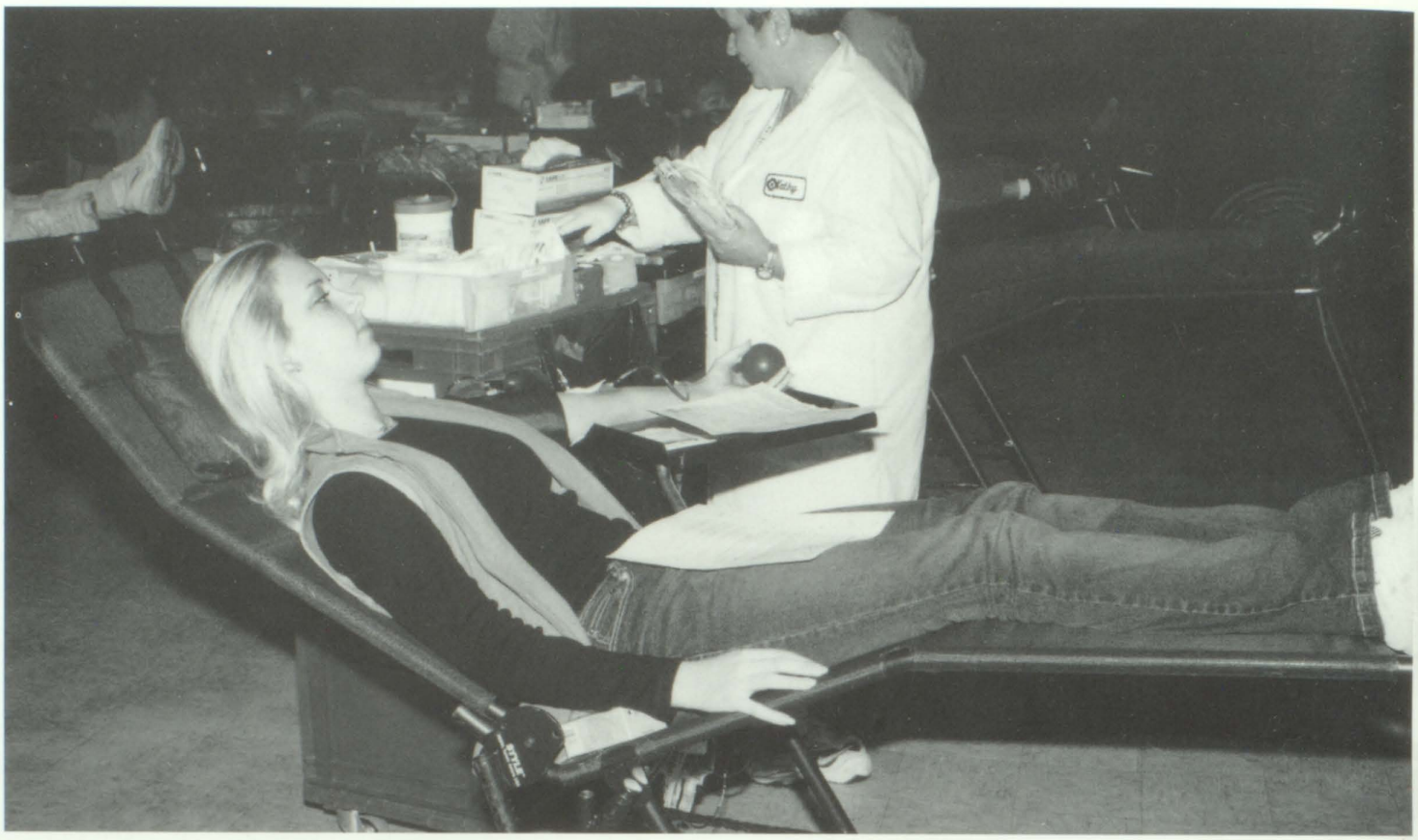
A dry ice maker and an electric fan create a heavenly and dreamy atmosphere on the dance floor at the Valentine's Dance. This effect made it look as if everyone were dancing in the clouds.



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Lying with the blood pressure cuff on her arm, Shannon Purvis waits patiently while the nurse looks for a vein. Donated blood saves hundreds of lives every year.

Before the Crab Feed, Sarah Fernandez and Nina Duenas set cups on the table. The Crab Feed brought in almost 500 diners.

With the needle in her arm and her eyes closed tightly, Sapna Jandaur waits patiently for her blood to be drawn. Giving blood made Sapna feel as if she had made a difference in someone's life.



Matt Pestana

Placing chilled bowls of salad on the tables, Jesus Suarez and Matthew Hanson help set up before the Crab Feed fund-raiser for the soccer teams. "I'm glad that I was a part of the Crab Feed because it makes me feel good... ," said Jesus.



Scott White



Matt Pestana

DOIN' IT FOR YOU

Students do things out of the kindness of their hearts

by Ann Lan

Where did most teens spend their free time? At the mall? On the Internet? Some students, believe it or not, spent their free time doing things to benefit IHS and its programs. They did it out of the kindness of their hearts and not for community service credit.

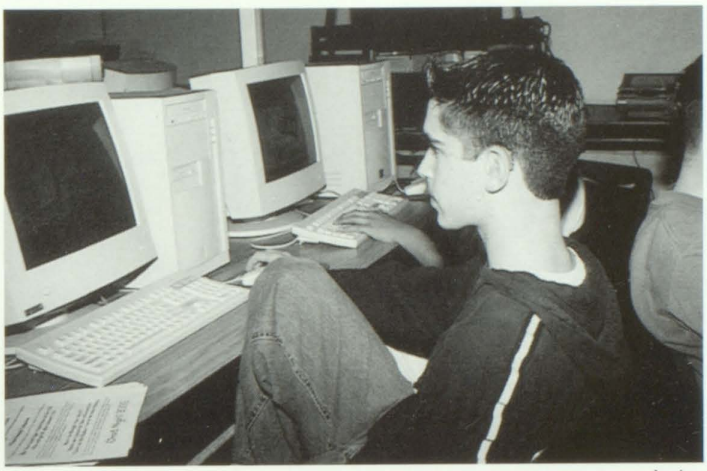
The Computer Club members spent their time sitting in front of computers redesigning Irvington's three-year-old, previously unchanged website. The site now includes the Benchmark Projects and a link to Mr. Nate Ivy's Service Learning page. "We usually work on it every day, about an hour. But since the beginning of the school year, the Computer Club has met every Wednesday and worked on the website, two to three hours at a time. I think that it looks magnificent," said senior Matt Gilbuena.

As the coordinator of the October Blood Drive, junior Doug Brock organized the event because he knew of the demand for blood. "I knew that this Blood Drive was going to be very successful because there were a lot of caring students at Irvington who enjoy helping others," Doug said. Sara Lutzinger, junior, said that the reason she donated blood was that "I wanted to help others who needed the blood. I also donated to save lives. I did this deed out of the goodness of my heart because I know that if I was in need of the blood, I would want someone to donate their blood for me also."

The Irvington Soccer Team organized their annual fund-raiser, the famous Crab Feed. Players, coaches and parents contributed to this event. The fund-raiser, held at the Newark Pavilion, sold nearly 500 tickets at $27.99 each. Junior Matt Pestana, who served food at the Crab Feed, said, "I thought that the Crab Feed was a very successful charity performance. It was great that we had sold so many tickets. I had a great time." Sophomore Amy Thomas, who also donated her time serving, said, "I had a lot of fun while I was there. I donated a basket of Ghiradelli chocolates that was auctioned off."

Sometimes teens did the unexpected and made the community better as a result.

Staring intently at the computer screen, Mathew Gilbuena works after school on the Irvington website. Matt said that working on the website helped prepare him for his future as a webpage designer.



Ann Lan



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"It's fun to work on the website. I look at it, it makes me go 'Wow, I helped make this.'"

—Rahim Sonawalla, 10th

Waiting patiently, Melissa Spitzenberger lies down while donating her blood. The ASB Blood Drive came on the heels of reports of blood shortages in the Bay Area.



Strategically placing herself behind the ball, JV Girls' Tennis Team player Mai Anh Dinh makes a quick return. Due to a turnout of only four players, the JV team ended up forfeiting most of their games.

Parita Patel



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Crashing though the Homecoming banner, the JV Football Team readies themselves and the crowd for an exciting game. The crowd participation was a positive influence on their performance.



Girls' Varsity Water Polo player Lisa Covey prepares to pass the ball over the head of her opponent. Because of her strong leadership skills, Covey was a key player on the team.

Scott White

Playing against the Clock

by Jessica Bonham
Jessica Neunzig

Without question, the events of the year of the Millennium influenced the performances of the athletes. Irvington was no stranger to new transitions and phases that affected the school. The sports' teams were no exception to reacting to the effects of change.

Turning change into a habit, The Varsity Football Team added a third year to their Homecoming Game winning streak. According to senior Lewis Jackson, cooperation between the coach and the players was unmistakably present. The players went into every game with more motivation and specific goals. "There were great individual accomplishments with players like Rick Conti and Tommy Peters," said Coach Bob Spain.

For the Varsity Girls' Tennis Team, a new coach marked the introduction of new techniques. Coach Steve Strout introduced the players to effective conditioning methods. They faced more drills and the relentless blast of tennis ball machines. The players had something to gain out of the practices that was more important than winning or losing: improvement in their perseverance and patience.

The Wrestling Teams benefitted from changes. The number of wrestlers more than tripled from only eight to 27 players. Wrestling, once considered by its own players as a secluded and forgotten sport, finally had the support of the school. The participation of more athletes, including a large number of incoming freshmen, made the team stronger and confident.

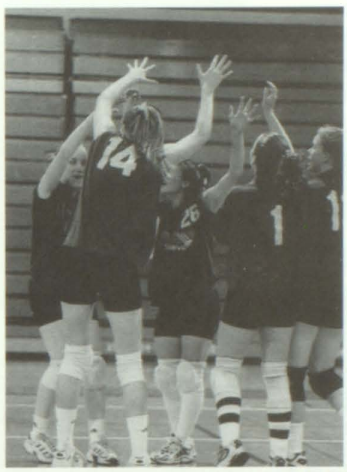
The Boys' and Girls' Water Polo Teams also had more involvement. With so many newcomers to the teams, veteran player Gene Kendall, senior, viewed the season as a new learning experience. Both leadership and camaraderie guided the teams.

Support from the IHS community was a key factor in the rising level of motivation for all the teams. The pressures of time and schoolwork were not major problems facing the athletes when school involvement and encouragement inspired the players to push further. The Irvington Vikings showed that the changes time brought could be an advantage to everyone.

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teamwork...confidence...victory...defeat...games...effort

The Girls' Varsity Volleyball players congratulate themselves after making a vital point against American. The 1999 season was the first time in five years that Irvington won their own tournament.

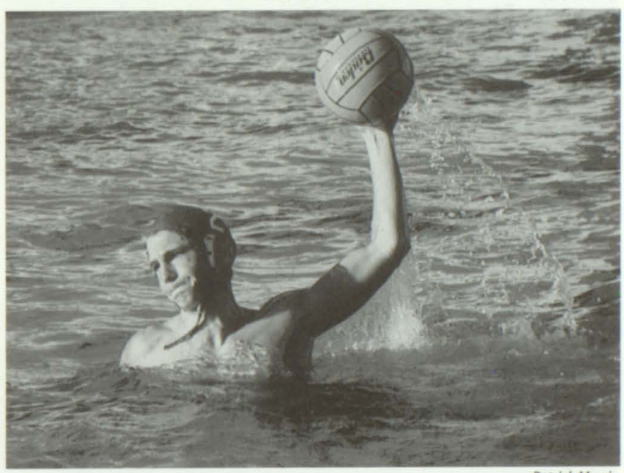


Sarah Atfield

In a game against American, the Varsity Football defense clobbers their opponent. Winning with a score of 41-15 and Lewis Jackson rushing 243 yards, the team played their second best performance in school history.



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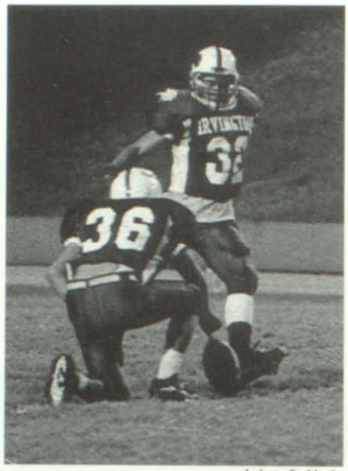
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At a water polo game against Logan, Varsity player Nick Driscoll shoots to score. He did well in the game, despite the fact that he was ill the day before.

Concentrating on his stride, Varsity Cross Country runner Alex Yupanqui runs at the Coyote Hills meet against Kennedy. He found his first year on the Cross Country Team more challenging than running on the Track Team.

Focusing on the ball allows Tommy Peters to start off the game to the team's advantage. Peters also took the record for receiving in a season.

Muscling through American's defense opens up defensive back Bryce Taylor for a pass. The Varsity Football Team pummeled American 41-15.



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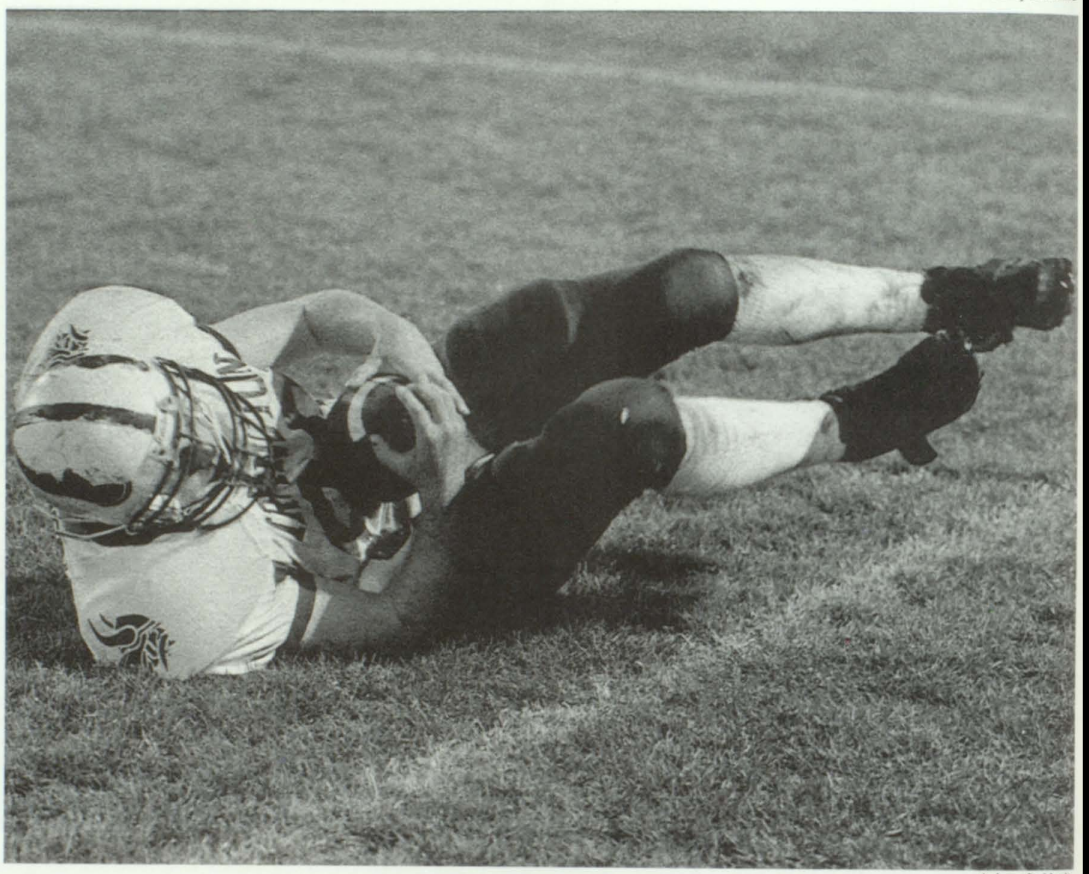
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14	Newark	6
0	Logan	52
41	Kennedy	42
10	Moreau	31

"We really overcame a lot of adversity to really come together as a team, and at the end, it really paid off."



Patrick Morris

—Fletcher Wimbush, linebacker



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After making the catch, Steve Dicherico makes a hard landing on tough grass. Dicherico was one of the many returning Varsity players on the team.

Quarterback Rick Conti deceptively passes the ball to the waiting hands of John Hoover. During the Homecoming Game, Conti's long range throws led the team to a victory of 41-15.



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Varsity Football plays tough and breaks

Come on, Pass the PIG'SKIN

records along the way

A quick glance at the Varsity Football Team's record might indicate that the year was a losing one, but nothing could be further from the truth. Sometimes records did not indicate the true story.

The Varsity Football Team played a record-breaking year and started a Homecoming winning streak. Old records were shattered when the Varsity Football Team took the field. Runningback Lewis Jackson was the offense's leading scorer, breaking the records for touchdowns in a season with 18 and touchdowns in a career with 31. Jackson also broke two rushing records with 1,464 yards in a season and 2,475 yards in a career. It was no wonder why Jackson was the best runningback in the league. Senior Tommy Peters held the record for receiving in a season with 699 yards.

Opinions varied when it came to the most memorable game during the season. Junior John Hoover said, "Winning Homecoming was the most memorable, I think. This year we played hard and did our best. Overall, it was a great season." Some of the most memorable games were games that were not even played here. Junior Chris Hodel said, "The most memorable game was the one against Monte Vista because of the fact that we were losing, and we came up with two touchdowns to win the game."

The Varsity Football Team had a record of 4—10. But that record did not dampen their spirits. Senior Mitch Mensinger said, "It was a great season, and I had a lot of fun even when we lost." The difference to Jackson was in the heart. "We didn't have the same people as last year. It seemed that last year we had heart every game," he said. But all were proud to start a new Homecoming winning streak.

The Varsity Football Team walked onto the field confident. Sure, they did not get the wins they wanted, but a win lasted for a season. Memories of a great season could last years.

by Kurt del Rosario and Loni Lasseter



Brian Martin

Varsity Football Team. Front row: Shawn Garcia, John Hoover, Ceasar Alcazar, Josh Stone, Jake Stone, Ray Santos, Brian DeBurr. **Second row:** Albert Sandoval, Lewis Jackson, Coach Duncan, Coach Mike Thompson, Coach Bob Spain, Coach Stone, Coach Vandeusen, Bryce Taylor, Jesus Suarez. **Third row:** Fletcher Wimbush, Sean McGuire, Mike Reeves, Johnny Granillo, Danny Boswell, Kevin Huntzinger, Rick Conti, Tommy Peters. **Back row:** Chris Hodel, Zaman Virani, Steve Dicherico, Travis Damberger, Mitch Mensinger, Nick Krell, Chris Vorpahl, Matt Colliss. **Not pictured:** David Alvernaz, Eric Atkins, Atiq Nabizada, John Najm, Jason Flores, Luis Holguin, Jesse Moreno, Steve Seidler, Peter Carrick, Kevin Colagiovanni.



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The Varsity Football Team is lined up and ready to rumble in a game against Moreau. The team fought hard but lost to Moreau 10-31.



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No defense is too tough for runningback Lewis Jackson. His exceptional skills not only made him the best runningback in the league, but led him to break four records.



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During the JV Homecoming Game, Mike Montoya tries to get around American's defenders. He helped add points to the Vikes' winning score of 14-8.

JV quarterback Josh Stone runs a pass play. His pass gained yards in their game against American.



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Stephen Nguyen and Nick Rutchena help the Frosh team complete a play. They snapped the ball from center to the quarterback.

Albert Sandoval, Nick Guerrero and Eric Atkins tackle an American opponent. The JV team won this game 14 to 8.

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7	Newark	28
29	Kennedy	13
20	Logan	46
7	Washington	14

"It was hard going back to the JV team when we were used to the Varsity, but it was fun playing with people my age."



Patrick Morris

—Josh Stone, JV

With time, JV and Frosh Football Teams

Success Takes Time AND SKILL

overcome their obstacles

The JV and Freshman Football Teams proved to be true football players not only on the field but also off. The players got along well and managed to tackle difficult situations, such as player changes.

The JV Football Team started their season rocky. However, in mid season a change occurred in the team. Five players from the Varsity Football Team came over to the JV Team. That brought self-confidence to the struggling JV team. The team turned around the season and began to win their games. "The strong point in the team was that they were all sophomores. They already knew how to work together as a team because they had a bond of friendship that could not be broken."

"During the last game Jake Stone, receiver and safety, caught a backward throw from Josh Stone, quarterback, which helped them win the game," said Coach Alex Smith. Another highlight, which also brought self-confidence to the team, was winning the Homecoming Game.

While the season progressed, the Freshman Football Team became better. Although the players were inexperienced, they were top of the class on field. They played well together in the beginning of the season and only got better.

Overall, team effort played a big role for the Frosh Team. "They worked well together," said Coach Bill Sinnott. The team's offense put points on the board because of their speed on the backfield. They had trouble with the action passes, but they improved during each game. Improvement was the goal of the team. Team effort not only brought the players closer, but it also helped to win a few more games.

The Frosh Team agreed they were successful, and overall they had a good season. One noticeable highlight was when runningback Danny Nieves with a 63-yard fumble recovery got the only score for Irvington against Washington High School.

At the end of the season, the teams had something in common. They both turned around their seasons and united as teams. The JV and Frosh Football Teams were satisfied.

by Tamara Lukas and Johanna Murrain



Brian Martin



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Freshman Football Team. Front row: Coach Grant, Trevor Sanford, Scott Henry, Dustin Seidler, Jarrod Fiance, Luis Miranda, Adrian Garcia, Brandon Harrison, Coach Bill Sinnott. **Second row:** Matt Delgado, Chris Walker, Danny Nieves, Darnell Flowers, Anthony Burnett, Josh Cavaness, Shea O'Neal, Eric Johnson, Josh Howe, Hank Johnson, Nick Rutchena, Stephen Nguyen, Danny Swindell. **Back row:** Steve Premeau, Ali Elbeik, David Santos, Matt Hanson, Chris Lundeen, Brian Loeswick, Mohammed Tantoush, and Gabe Velez.



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As a united force, Dan Nieves, Tim Griggs, Tom Bui and Josh Howe run up and tackle a Newark Memorial receiver who has the ball. They managed to cause the other team an incomplete.

JV Football Team: Front row: Nicholas Regopoulas, Nickolas Lira, Frank Becerra, David Alvernaz, John Dooley. **Second row:** Jeremy Leonard, Richard Cardadeiro, Jay Dias, Coach Eric Frederic, Coach Alex Smith, Coach Amod, Miguel Sandoval, Steven Seidler. **Third row:** David Howe, Nick Guerrero, Lewis Holguin, Bradley Klossner, Jason Hansen, Jason Flores, Trinity Peterson, Renzo Ferrada. **Fourth row:** Anthony Novello, Atiqullah Nabizada, Ryan Buchanan, Kevin Colagiovanni, Ramon Silva, Josh Blandino, Chigbo Nzoiwu. **Back row:** Jonathan Najm, Matt Bach, Matt Parker, Peter Carrick, Steven Burks, Eric Atkins, Steven Miller, Jacob Stewart.

Center Steve Premeau tackles Logan with help from Adrian Garcia, quarterback. The Frosh lost the game in the end.



Blinded by the sunlight, Keith Aldinger makes an attempt to pass the ball to his teammates. Aldinger had a total of 24 goals for the season.

Keeping the ball away from her Mission San Jose opponent, Shannon Hoerner struggles to get away. With a total of 26 goals in the season, Hoerner was a valuable player.

Scott White



Kurt del Rosario

Varsity Water Polo Team. Front row: Justin Wang, Lauren Ashley, Natasha Schroeder, Amanda Woodrum, Nick Driscoll, Shelby Twohig, Kim Vanderwerken, Desire Olsen, Andy Degregorio. **Second row:** Keith Aldinger, Chelsea Whitfield, Melody Castro, Brittany Lovejoy, Sara Fulk, Trisha Perez, Marilia Maschion, Christina Castro, Aubrey St. Marie, Jeff Litwin. **Back row:** Coach Nels Larsen, Gene Kendall, Ryan LoBue, Clayton Palmberg, Rachelle Bogue, Amy Watson, Lisa Covey, Shannon Hoerner, Brandon Bogue, Kenny Juenger.



Brian Martin

Girls' place second in league and

Caution! Slippery WHEN WET

first in MVAL tournament

Throughout the fall sports season, the Boys' and Girls' Water Polo Teams had some memorable victories.

Playing for their third year, the Boys' fell behind from their first place winning streak to second place. The Girls' for their first time came in first place in the MVAL Tournament. Sophomore Kim Vanderwerken said, "I can't believe we actually came in first place. I never thought it would happen." Brittany Lovejoy, Girls' goalie, had a total of 194 saves for the season and 13 saves in just one game.

The Boys' had many new additions with new goalie Kenneth Juenger, sophomore. Varsity water polo player Keith Aldinger, senior, said, "He was a great goalie and a major asset to the team. There was no way we could have done as well as we did without him." Aldinger had two school records with 21 saves in one game and 269 saves in the season.

Another record holder for the 1999 season was third year player Gene Kendall, senior. He broke two school records with 11 goals in one game and 102 for the season. Kendall said, "Even though we did not win the league title this year, we played pretty well, plus I now hold two school records."

Although the Boys' did not enjoy the same success as the Girls', they said their season was very successful. Senior Ryan LoBue said, "We learned a lot this year. It's too bad I won't be back next year." The Boys' Team ended the season with a record of 8—11.

Coach Nels Larsen said, "The Girls' did really well this year. They really pulled together at the end." The Girls' Team ended up winning second in the league and first in the MVAL Tournament. Although the Girls' did not make it to NCS, they had a strong season. The Girls' had a final season record of 5—13.

So, despite any hardships the teams might have felt, the players all pulled together in order to make the season worthwhile.

by Scott White



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Passing to his teammate, Ryan LoBue attempts a goal shot. During the season he scored 24 goals, the second most for the Boys'.

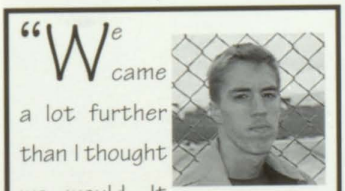
Veteran player Gene Kendall is ready to make his pass, not sure whether to try and make a goal or pass to another player without jeopardizing the score. Kendall set a school record of 269 goals in one season.

Desperate to keep the ball out of her territory, Girls' goalie Brittany Lovejoy hurries to get the ball away. Lovejoy set a school record of 194 saves during the season.

TIMEOUT

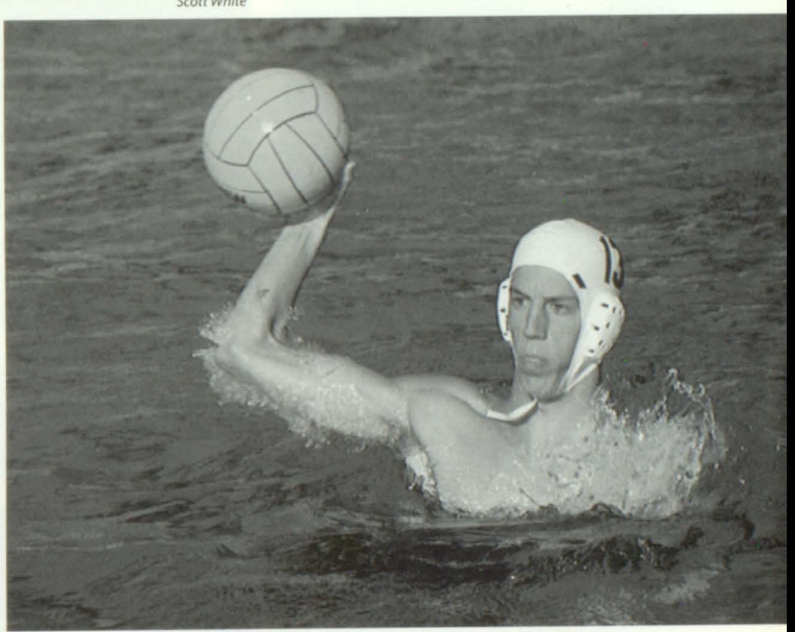
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13	Newark	7
2	Logan	3
5	Washington	7
7	Independence	10
10	Mission	11
12	Newark	9

IRV	BOYS'	OPP
3	Mission	13
11	Newark	9
7	Logan	8
8	Washington	9
12	Independence	17
10	Mission	8
10	Newark	12



"We came a lot further than I thought we would. It was one of my best seasons."

—Gene Kendall, Varsity



Kurt del Rosario



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To the Girls' Tennis Teams, success is

Anybody for a Game OF TENNIS?

not measured by wins

It was commonplace to hear the pop of tennis balls as the Girls' Tennis Team warmed up during Tutorials. The team was young and they did not get many wins, but they gained experience.

Lack of participation prevented the formation of a JV team. Coach Steve Strout said that this "gave other girls the chance to play on the Varsity Team." They had a full Varsity team and a few players who could cover for absent players.

The team was a young one with only four returning seniors. Although they did not do well overall in the MVAL Tournament, #1 Varsity singles player Pia Malinas, junior, advanced to the MVAL semifinals and placed third. "We were all proud of Pia," said #3 Varsity doubles player Irene Yuen, junior. The #2 singles player, Grace Shaw, was only a sophomore.

Scores did not matter to the team. Their single win over Washington was the first 7-0 win for the Girls' Tennis Team in two years. They were disappointed about losing most of their games, but they did try hard to play better each time. "Sometimes I felt that we disappointed Coach Strout, but I always tried my best." said Angela Joo, Varsity #3 doubles player.

The Girls' Tennis Team had a new coach, Mr. Steve Strout. Coach Strout said that coaching Girls' Tennis was "A fun and refreshing experience." He used footwork and concentration drills to help the girls improve their game. Senior and #1 Varsity doubles player Shilpa Andalkar said, "I was so surprised when I first saw him hitting around because he was really good." The team thought that for his first year as a tennis coach, Coach Strout did well.

The Girls' Tennis Team had the unity that was lacking the previous year. #2 Varsity singles player Grace Shaw said, "Unlike last year's seniors, this year's seniors really worked as a team. We got closer to them." Despite their losses, senior Carolyn Feng said, "We stayed with each other till the very end, win or lose. Our team unity couldn't have been any stronger." The team demonstrated unity by supporting everyone instead of banding together by class.

The losing season was never considered a downer, and although the Girls' Tennis Team did not get a 12—12 record, they agreed that the season was a worthwhile one.

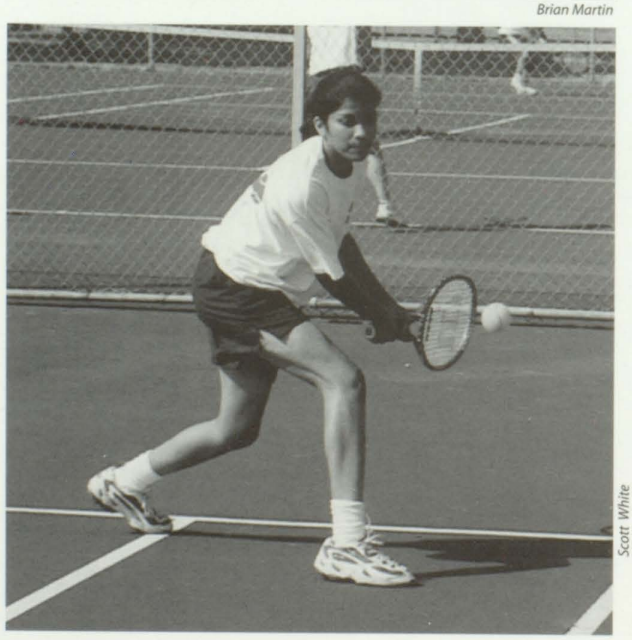
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Parita Patel



Brian Martin



Scott White

Muscling a high forehand, Anh Thai gives the ball a healthy slap. She was one of only four seniors who participated this season.

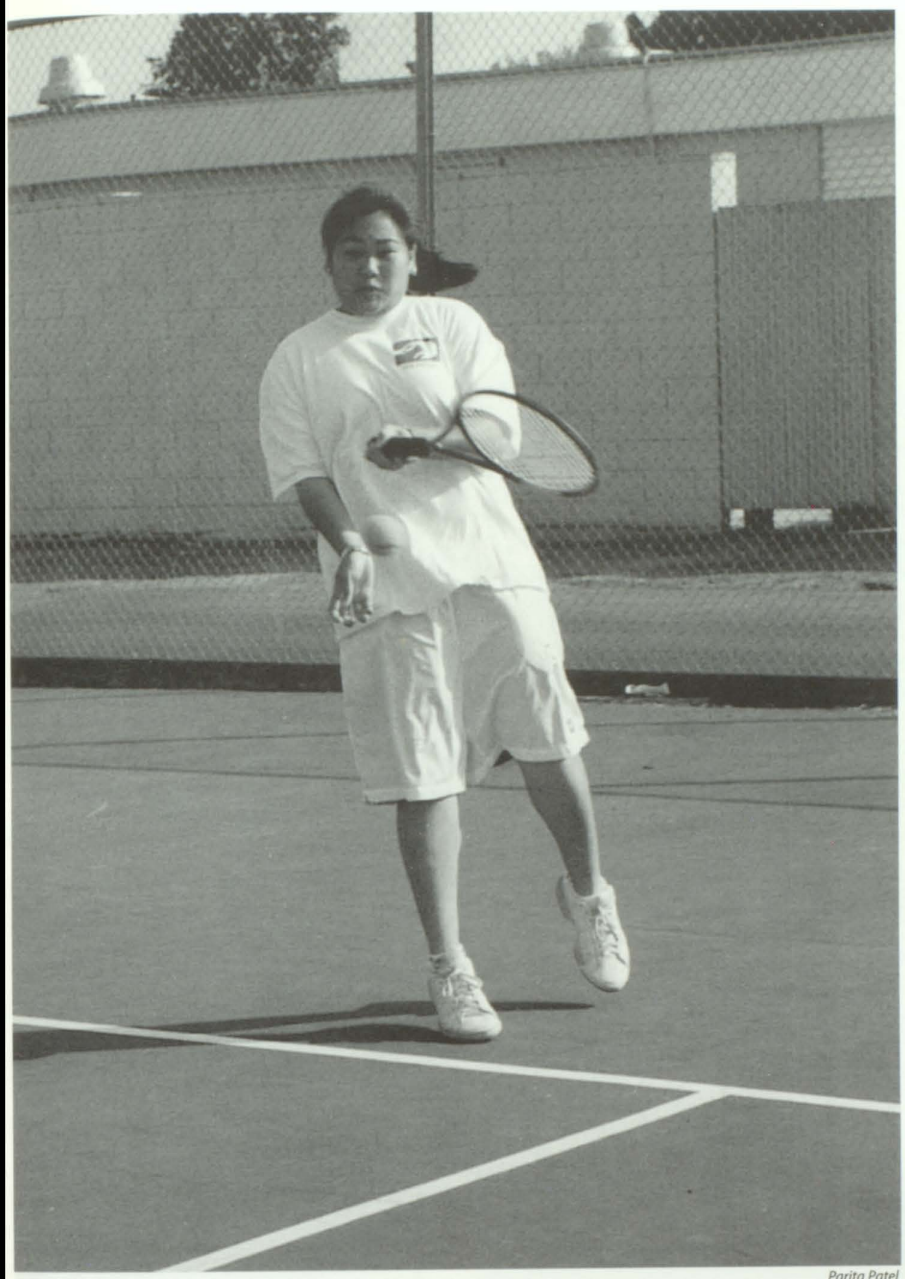
With all her focus on the tennis ball, Mai Dinh prepares her forehand early. Since there was no J.V. team, Dinh became an alternate.



Jessica Neunzig

Girls' Varsity Tennis Team. Front row: Karen Yoshimura, Carol Pham, Mai Dinh, Yurika Vu. **Second row:** Puneet Kaur, Angela Joo, Pia Malinis, Lakheana Suan, Irene Yuen, Anh Thai. **Back row:** Team Manager Ryan Rose, Alicia Jensen, Shilpa Andalkar, Aneela Ahmed, Coach Steve Strout, Carolyn Feng, Grace Shaw, Farah Kamal, Assistant Coach Albert Li.

Varsity doubles player Shilpa Andalkar reaches down low to pass her opponents. Andalkar and partner Farah Kamal earned rankings to represent Irvington at the MVAL Tournament where they reached the second round.



Parita Patel

Varsity player Pia Malinis puts all she has into her forehand. Her exceptional skills at shot placement enabled her to play as the #1 Varsity singles player.

TIMEOUT

IRV	VARSITY	OPP
2	Logan	5
7	Washington	0
4	American	4
0	Mission	7
1	Newark	6
3	Kennedy	4
2	Logan	5
3	Washington	4
2	American	5
0	Mission	7
2	Newark	5
2	Kennedy	5

"We were all surprised when we saw Coach Strout playing. He said that he has never really played, but he looked professional out on the tennis court."



Patrick Morris

—Anh Thai, Varsity



Jessica Neunzig



Scott White



Parita Patel

Forced to hit a jumping backhand, Varsity singles player Grace Shaw lobs the ball back. Although she was only a sophomore, she managed to take the #2 Varsity singles spot.

Lunging deep for a low ball, Farah Kamal rips a backhand return. She and her partner Shilpa Andalkar took the #1 Varsity doubles spot.

Using the footwork technique learned from Coach Steve Strout, Irene Yuen prepares for a short ball. She and her partner, Angela Joo, played the #3 Varsity doubles spot.

Abigail Galloway races at Central Park. She was the Girls' Cross Country Team's most valuable player and qualified for the NCS meet.

Showing the effects of a grueling run, John Magat competes at the NCS Tournament at Garin Park in Hayward. Here he placed a personal record of 20 minutes for a three mile run, up from the 26 minutes he had accomplished previously.



Photographics



Patrick Morris

Partially hidden in the cattials, Robert Noakes runs in the Kennedy meet at Coyote Hills. He was the fourth fastest freshman Varsity runner in the school's history. He placed 18:49 on a three mile run and 11:16 on a two mile run.

Irvington competitors jump at the start of the race during the Kennedy meet at Coyote Hills. Holly Root, in the center, is the fifth fastest girls' runner in the league.





Patrick Morris

Cross Country Teams put their

Speeding Past the CROWD

stamina to the test

Nearly every afternoon was the same for the Cross Country Team. Starting at IHS, the team would head past Safeway, Subway, and even the homes of many students. Their seven-mile run was a common sight. What made this team do it?

The Boys' and Girls' Cross Country Teams would practice together daily for six hours, beginning from three in the afternoon until nine at night. "We would leave sooner if we had work," said Liu, "but the seven mile run everyday brought us everywhere."

The star Girls' Team runner was Abigail Galloway, sophomore. In one 3.1 mile race at the NCS meet, Galloway had the fastest running time among the girls, finishing 9th place in 19 minutes. She went to the state for the first time. "We did well," said Abigail. "We improved a lot towards the end of the year."

The Girls' Team had only five runners, down from seven last year. Despite their loss of runners, they ended the season with a record of 4—2. "We had a lot of new runners this year," said Galloway. The Girls' Team placed third in the league.

"The [Boys'] team had a rough start," said Coach Leo O'Neill. "Luckily we finished the season well." Alex Yupanqui, senior, joined the team late in the year. "The season went pretty well," said Yupanqui. "The coach told us everyone had improved by a couple of minutes and overall everyone was doing better." The Boys' Team ended the season with a 1—5 record. "We worked harder than we had ever before," said Ben Liu, junior. "I think it was a good year in respect to our efforts."

Abigail Shaw, sophomore, thought the team did well this year. "Everyone on the team worked really hard, and we pushed through the season with a great finish," said Shaw.

by Mathew Gilbuena

TIMEOUT

IRV	GIRLS'	OPP
W	American	L
L	Mission	W
W	Newark	L
W	Kennedy	L
L	Logan	W
W	Washington	L

IRV	BOYS'	OPP
L	American	W
L	Mission	W
L	Newark	W
W	Kennedy	L
L	Logan	W
L	Washington	W

"This year was really great because there was a lot of cooperation and teamwork and the runners did better."



Patrick Morris

—Jesus Quesada, Boys' Varsity

Boys' and Girl's Cross Country Team. Front row: Abigail Galloway, Angelina Aldama, Robert Noakes, Holly Root, Lindsay Meyers, John Magat, Abigail Shaw, Ben Liu, Coach Leo O'Neill. **Back row:** Patrick Morris, Robert Dort, William Miranda, John Lathbury, Alex Yupanqui, Jesus Quezada, Alex Yupanqui, Jarrod Fullerton, Daniel Farmer.



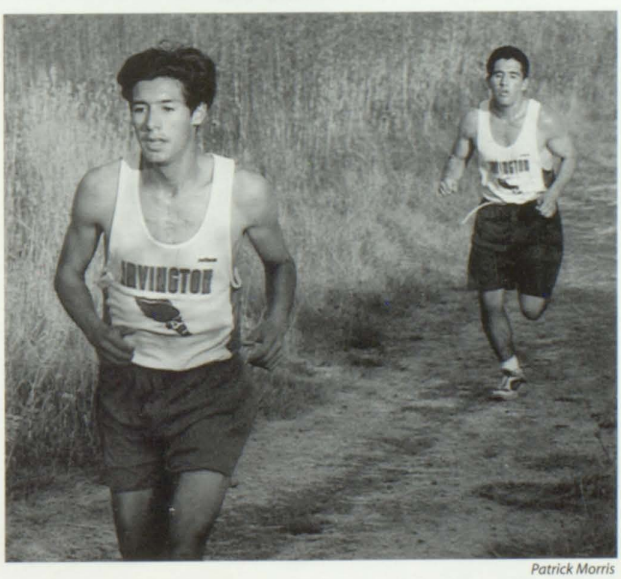
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Running through Central Park, Lindsay Meyers and Angelina Aldama race against Logan and Washington High Schools. This was Meyers' first year on the team, and she improved from 25 minutes for three miles to 20:22.

In the heat of Coyote Hills, Jesus Quezada and Alex Yupanqui run along a dirt path. Yupanqui was the season's most improved runner, and had his time improve from 22 minutes for three miles to 19 minutes, 16 seconds.



Patrick Morris

The Volleyball Teams come together to find

Reaching for the HEAVENS

the meaning of teamwork

Duck! An ordinarily harmless piece of rubber is transformed into a violent orb of death as your enemy hurls it at your face. To save yourself thousands in surgery, you slam it right back at your opponent's feet. As another point is racked up, you think to yourself, "Why didn't anyone tell me volleyball was so dangerous?"

The perilous world of volleyball was just part of the daily routine for some of Irvington's hardest working athletes. Under the leadership of captains Rebecca Simones and Laura Nielsen, the Girls' Varsity Volleyball team had one of its strongest seasons. Many attributed the team's success to the close bonds between the teammates. Senior Melinda Steffen said, "Everyone stuck together to support each other both on and off the court."

Members of both the JV and Varsity teams also attributed the teams' successful seasons to the fact that having fun was always a concern. Coaches Kim Martin and Lisa Bozzo always remembered that the girls were there to have fun as well as win, and they made sure they did just that. The "element of fun" could be seen in the teams' Most Inspirational Player, Shannon Sullivant. Her daily doses of singing and dancing helped liven up the teams before every game.

A few players were able to stand apart from the crowd. Laura Nielsen was voted the team's Most Valuable Player. Simones earned the Coach's Award from Coach Kim Martin. Eva Bichmann also received the Most Improved Player Award.

The JV Volleyball Team also had a great season, defeating teams like Newark and Logan. They finished the season with a record of 3—9. The Varsity team succeeded in keeping the trophy when they won their own tournament, a feat it had not accomplished in five years. They went on for a season record of 6—6.

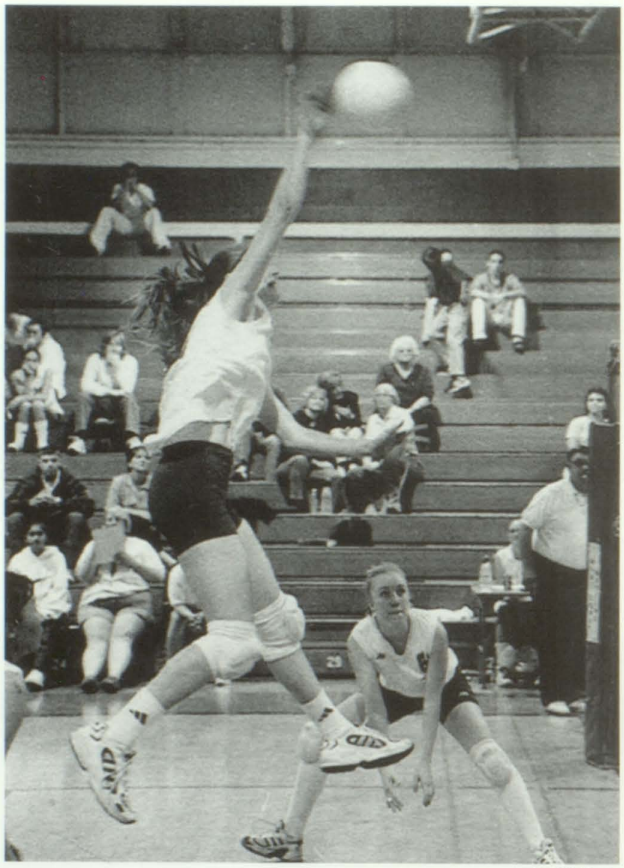
Coach Martin said, "I think the team had a really positive attitude and refused to give up."

by Patrick Morris

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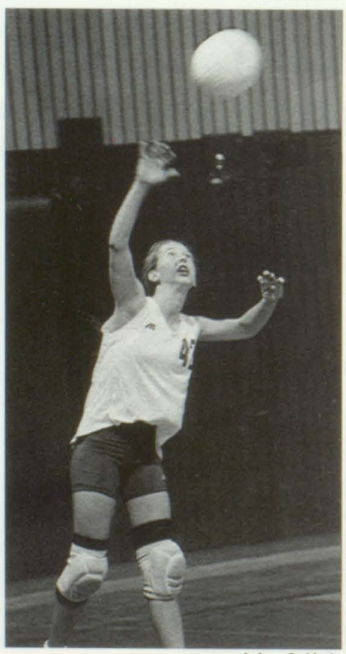
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With lightning quick timing, Varsity player Laura Nielsen leaps to spike the ball back at her opponents. Nielsen has played volleyball for all four of her years at Irvington and has plans to continue playing for college next year.



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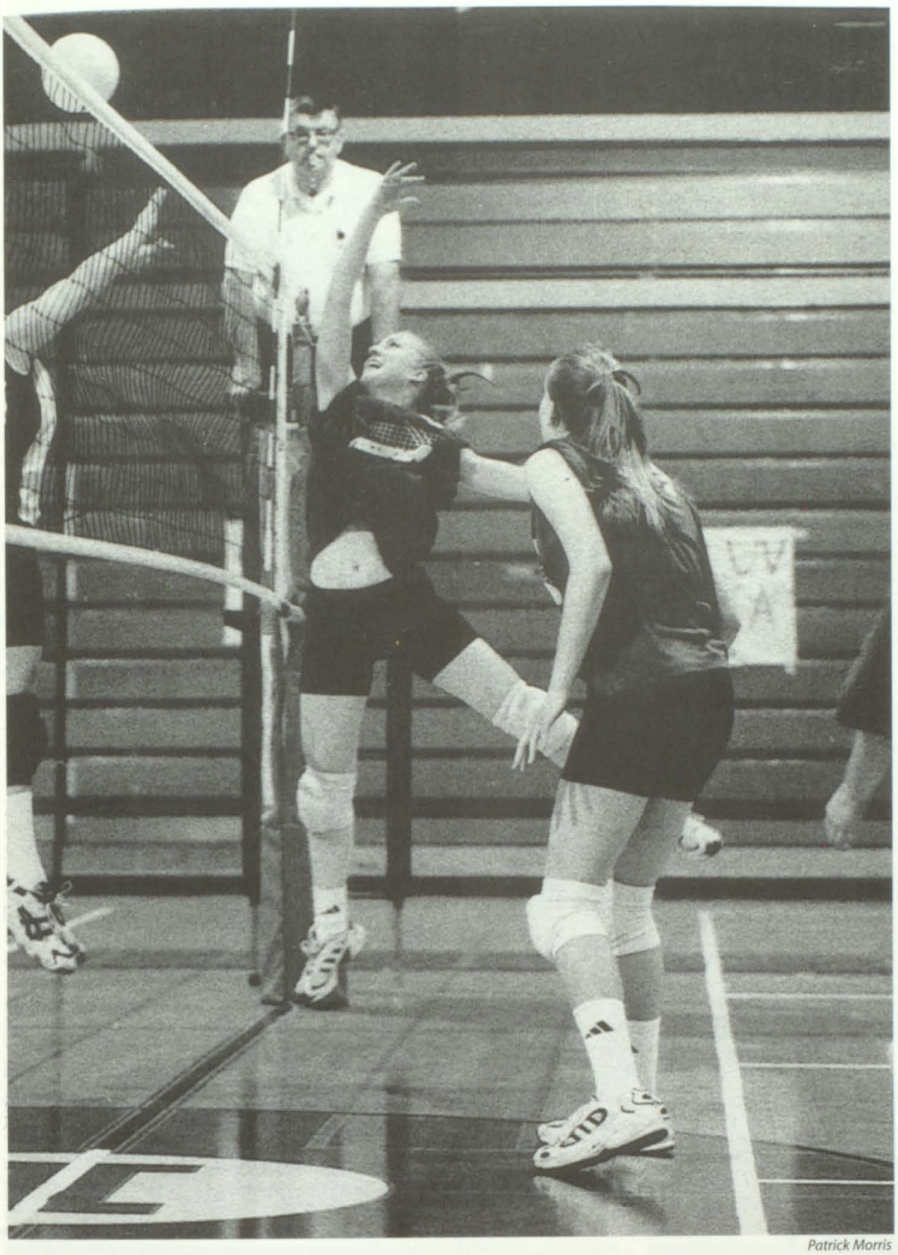
As the audience holds its breath, Varsity player Krystal Phaneuf prepares to serve against American. American proved to be a formidable enemy, but the Varsity team pulled together for another IHS victory against the Eagles.

"I feel that we worked really well together and tried to become really great friends. This was my favorite year!"



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—Laura Nielsen, Varsity



Patrick Morris

Giving it her all, Varsity player Shannon Sullivant lunges for the ball. She saved the ball and sent it to teammate Laura Nielsen for a point.

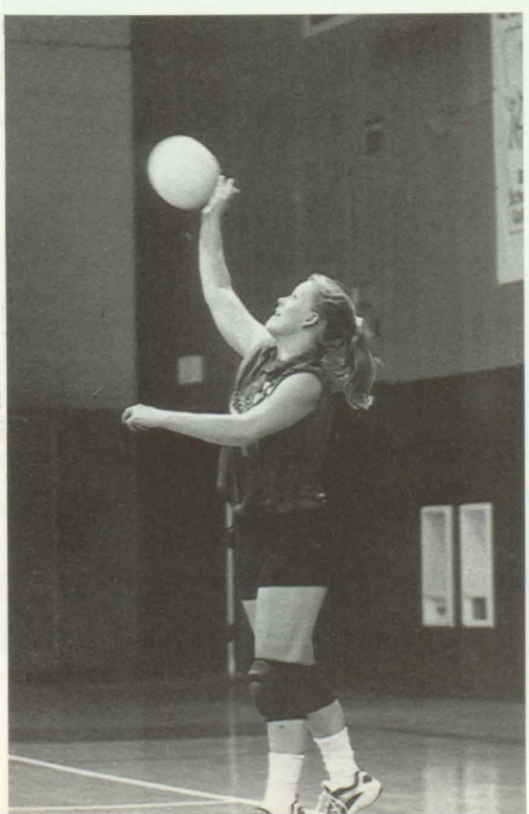
JV Volleyball Team. Front row: Renie Yuen, Irina Pisnaya, Nicole Chan. **Second row:** Sarah Ranalli, Mana Kahali, Holly Martinez, Chelsea Whitfield, Melissa Kleinsasser. **Back row:** Erika O'Bannon, Ashley Duerr, Coach Lisa Bozzo, Staci Lopes, Jessica Perkins.



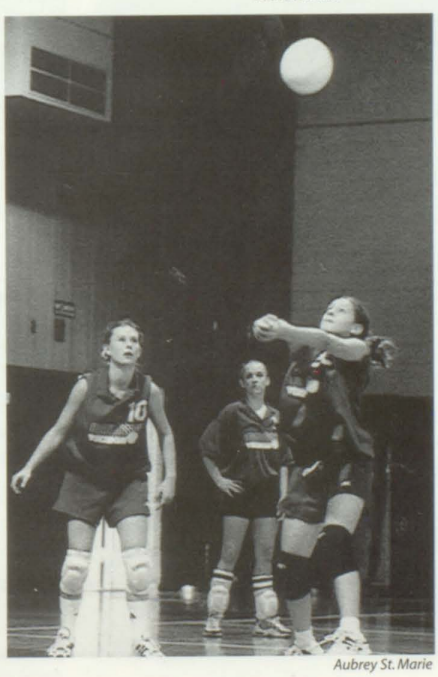
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Varsity Volleyball Team. Front row: Bina Mistry, Rebecca Simones. **Second row:** Krystal Phaneuf, Shannon Sullivant, Laura Nielsen, Carrin Flores, Tanya Baker. **Back row:** Melinda Steffen, Eva Bichmann, Coach Kim Martin, Kathleen Mitchell, Monica Mangel.

Eagerly waiting for the ball's next move, JV player Ashley Duerr watches as teammate Irina Pisnaya bumps the ball into the air. Durr is a returning member from last year's team.

Using her patented swing, Varsity player Monica Mangel serves the ball to the waiting Kennedy players. The team later celebrated its second victory over the nearby rival.

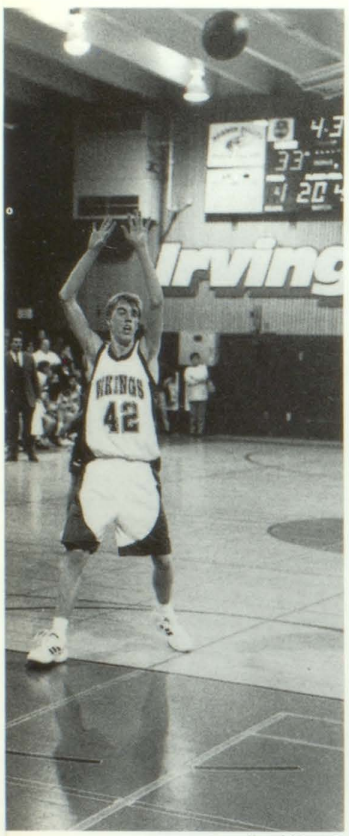
The Boys' Varsity Basketball Team works

They'll take all of you TO SCHOOL!

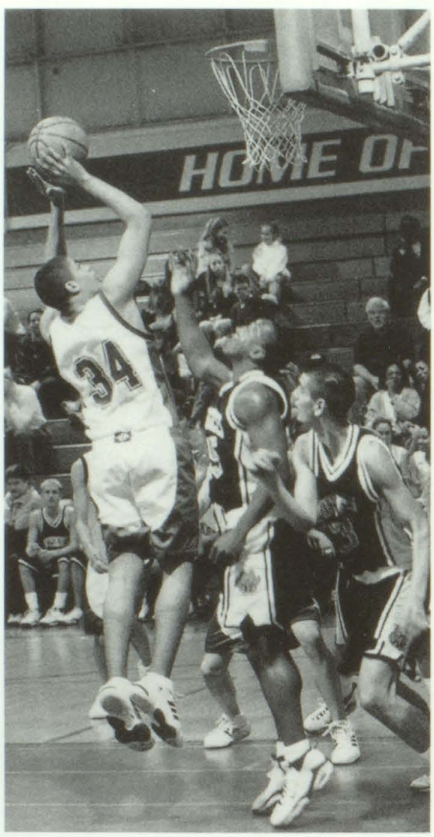
hard and plays tough

Taking the three-pointer away from any would-be blockers ensures center Gene Kendall the shot. Although it was his first year on the Boys' Varsity Basketball Team, Kendall proved to be a valuable asset out on the court.

After a missed shot, Moustafa Elbeik quickly takes possession of the ball and shoots. Elbeik was one of only four juniors who made the team.



Kurt del Rosario



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Brian Martin

Boys' Varsity Basketball Team. Front row: Joseph Azevada, James Batten, Nathaniel Carvalho, Steven Deering, Ali Abawi, Maninder Gill, Nima Khanghahi. **Back row:** Gene Kendall, Wilfredo Gonzalez, Anthony Solano, Coach Joe Screffler, Coach Wayne Stone, Coach Mark Boelter, Coach Michael Thompson, Coach Don Azevada, Kevin Ghahremani, Matthew Clark, Moustafa Elbeik.

TIMEOUT

IRV	VAR	OPP
36	Washington	48
54	Mission	39
47	Kennedy	58
42	American	62
62	Newwark	73
32	Logan	74
53	Washington	48
52	Mission	65
28	Kennedy	46
50	American	58
48	Newark	90
43	Logan	72

"We were a good experienced team. We had a lot of potential, but we had too little time. If we had a little more time, we would have gotten to playoffs."



—Anthony Solano, Guard

"The coaches were great. They did everything and more than was required of them. We could not have asked for more."



—Matt Clark, Forward

The sprawling, unbroken wooden floor of high school gymnasium became the battlefield of the Boys' Varsity Basketball Team. Although the season didn't indicate true success, they showed their true prowess in their teamwork and positive outlook. They worked as a team and lost as a team. They all worked toward making the season memorable for themselves and the crowds.

Although winning was not their biggest reward, the Boys' Varsity Basketball Team savored the feeling whenever they had it. "Our best game was against Mission because we really creamed them," said senior Matt Clark, forward.

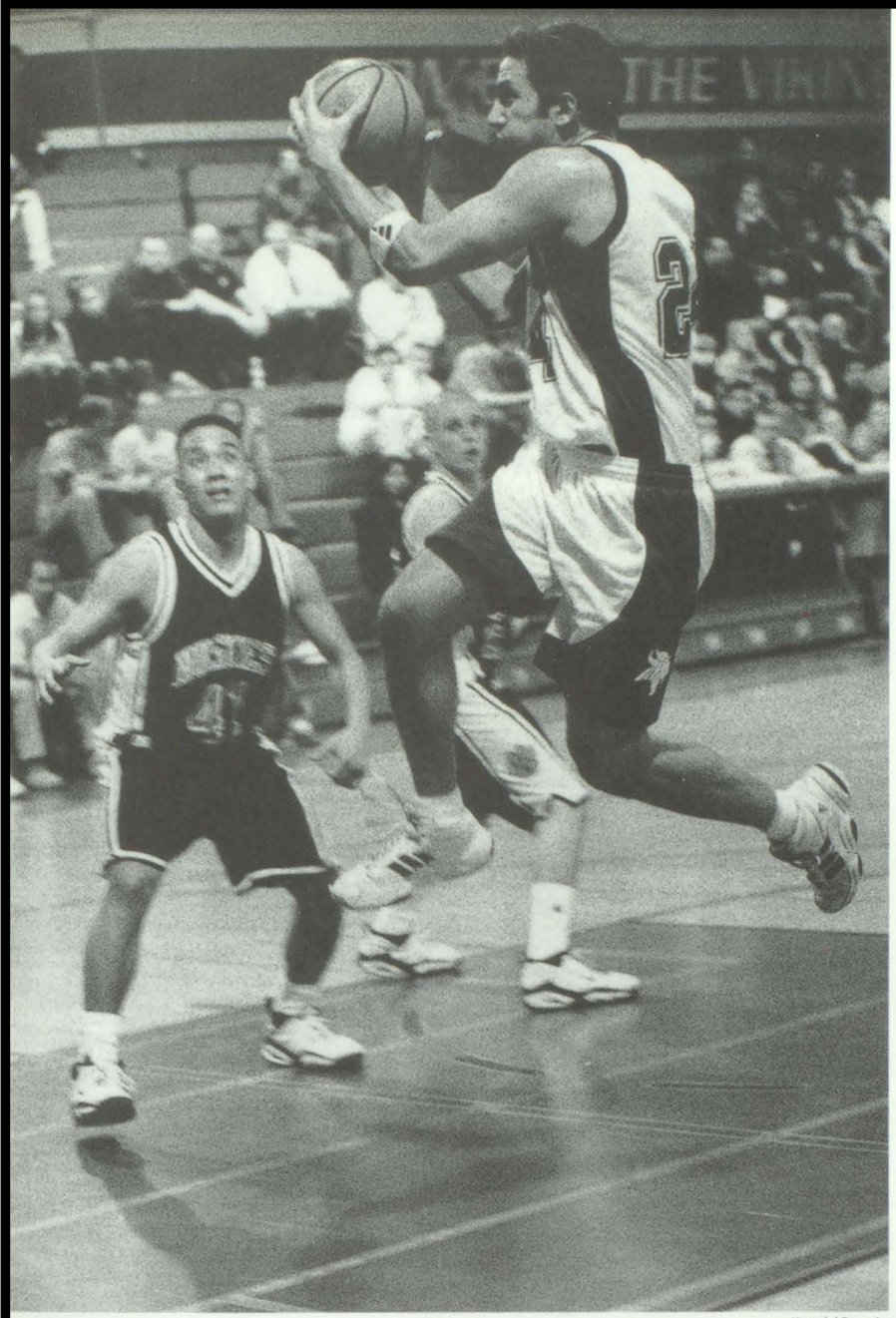
The team included eight seniors who added experience to the team. "We learned from their experience and they also helped us gain experience," said Moustafa Elbeik. Elbeik was one of only four juniors who played on Boys' Varsity.

During their games, the Boys' Varsity showed that there was more than one star player. "Matt Clark is definitely one of our star players because he can do everything," said senior Kevin Ghahremani, guard. Clark also earned an Honorable Mention in the MVAL rankings. Guard Steve Deering, senior, also managed to play an average of 27.7 minutes per game, more than any other player on the team.

Teamwork was one of the team's many strengths. "We were more than a team. We were a family," said senior Gene Kendall, center. "We had a few weaknesses, but I think that our greatest weakness was our seriousness in practice. I think that we would have done better if we trained harder," said senior Anthony Solano, guard.

Senior Nima Khanghahi, guard said, "We didn't get the overall record that we wanted, but we really worked and played hard in every single game we played." The Boys' Varsity Basketball Team never gave up, and their determination surpassed their season record.

By Kurt del Rosario



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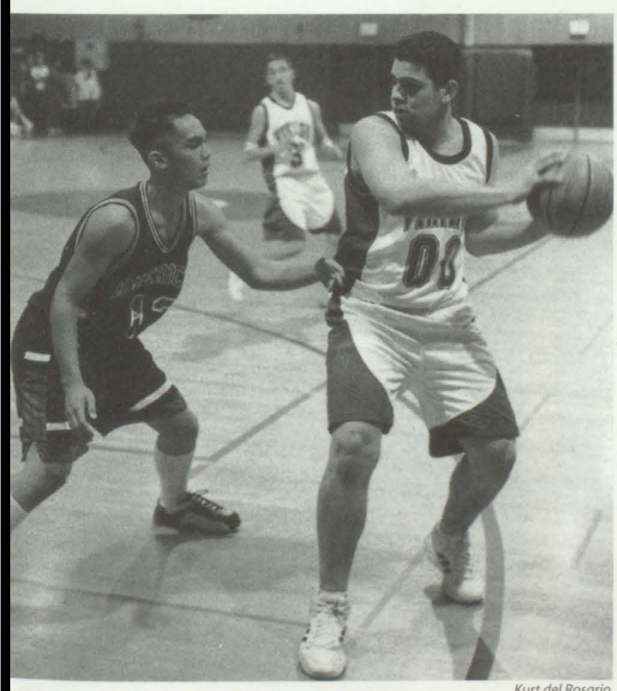
A hole left by the opponent's defense opens up an opportunity for forward Kevin Ghahremani to shoot an easy mid-air layup. The Boys' Varsity lost against Newark in this game, but it was a close 73-62.

Rushing to the basket around a a formidable opponent was no sweat for team captain Steve Deering. His skill and speed allowed him to dominate over much bigger players.

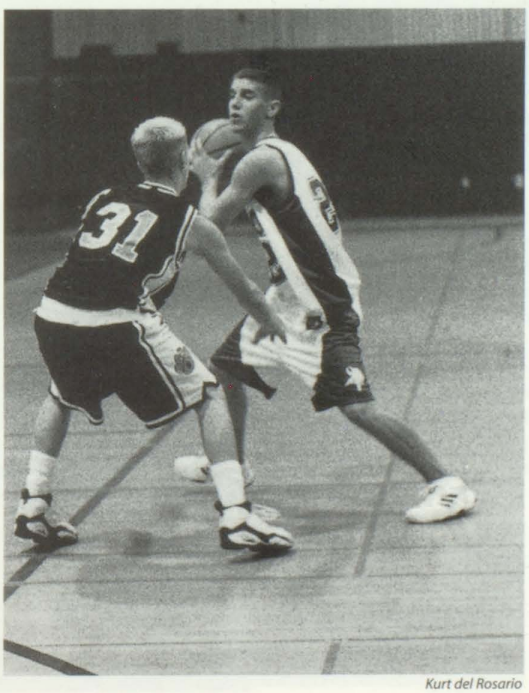
Looking for an open player to whom to pass, forward Willie Gonzalez waits for the right moment to make the pass. Gonzalez was one of the eight seniors who made up the Boys' Varsity Basketball Team.



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Finding an open player, guard, Joseph Azevada prepares to pass. Azevada, Matt Clark and Steven Deering were the only returning Varsity players and together they added much needed experience to the team.



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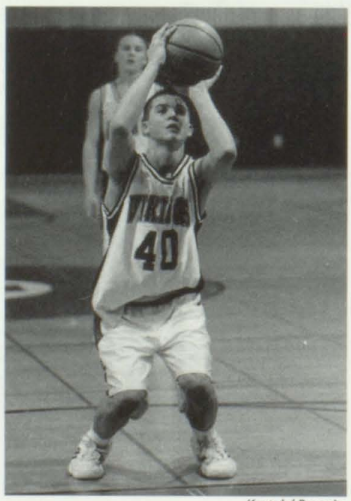
Boys' Freshman Basketball Team. Front row: Abdullah Bayanzai, Trevor Sanford, Timothy Caraballo, Aaron Barlas, Matthew Smith, Zorin Zeidan, Mohammad El-Khatib. **Back row:** Hank Johnson, Mohammed Tantoush, Quincy Stokelin, Anthony Burnett, Coach Robert Curtis, Tim Man Au, Alex Ruiz, Francis Remeneski.

Facing a strong Newark defense, Angelo Siu-Toung shoots over his opponent. Siu-Toung was one of three JV team captains.



Kurt del Rosa

Aiming for the basket during a free penalty shot, JV center Kenneth Juenger concentratates on making a point. Juenger was one of the JV team's most valuable players.



Kurt del Rosario

Jumping to keep the ball away from his opponent, Mohammed Tantoush blocks against Newark. Tantoush played as a center for the Frosh Team.



Kurt del Rosario

The Boys' JV and Frosh Basketball Teams

Put the ball through THE HOOP

play a hard season

The Boys' JV and Frosh Basketball Teams met challenges throughout the season. Their strengths in defense were not enough to sustain winning seasons.

JV Coach Don Azevada had three captains, sophomores Josh Stone, Jayson Rose and Angelo Siu-Toung, to aid in building teamwork. Even with their efforts, the JV's season record was 10–23.

The JV Team had an advantage when it came to their players. The team was made up of tall players, which was necessary when it came to scoring. The players worked well together, and they played defense smartly. One weakness of the team was that they would play hard during the first half of the game, leaving them exhausted in the second half.

One memorable game was when the JV played against Tamalpais, an undefeated team with a record of 10–0. The JV Team beat them, being the first team to beat Tamalpais.

The Frosh Team's record was a disappointing 2–10 for the year. "We had a good learning experience because we had a good coach," said Aaron Barlas, guard. Coach Robert Curtis led the team.

Playing defense well was one strength of the Frosh Team. However, they did not know how to play together. Frosh players had trouble with making good passes so they turned the ball over frequently. "We needed to improve on working as a team," said Anthony Burnett, forward.

The Frosh Team had some players who showed real skill. Anthony Burnett consistently rebounded from the other teams. Abdullah Bayanzai was known for scoring, and Quincy Spokelin was strong at playing defense. "Individually some players had a lot of talent," said Bayanzai, guard.

Playing Newark was memorable for the team. Newark was on a winning streak and the Frosh Team lead them all the way into the fourth quarter. Even though they lost in the end, playing Newark encouraged them to keep on trying.

Both Boys' JV and Frosh Basketball Teams learned from the season. They gained skills and learned how to work as teams.

by Tamara Lukas

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57	Logan	68
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53	Mission	42
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45	Washington	51

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W	American	L
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"I think the season went really well. I am proud of the team. Playing this year was a lot of fun."



—Josh Stone, JV

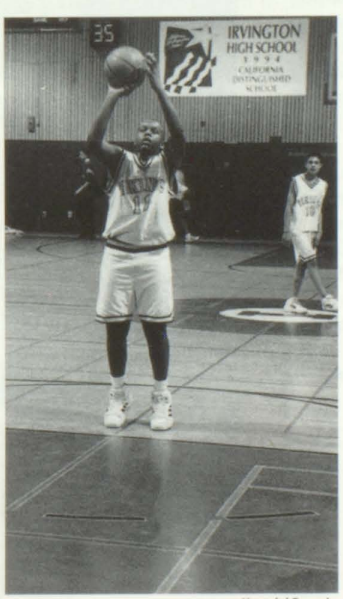
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Running toward the basket, JV forward Zaman Virani dribbles around the Newark defenders. Virani was known for getting the ball and scoring.

Aiming for the basket, Frosh player Anthony Burnett shoots. Burnett's strength was in rebounding.



Shilpa And

While attempting to shoot the ball, Varsity player Krystal Phaneuf outmaneuvers Logan's guards. Being one of the taller players on the basketball team, she was known for her speed.

Tiffany Lee goes for a two-pointer and tries to get across the Logan defense. It was Lee's first year on Varsity.



Shilpa Andalkar

Beyond the reach of her opponent, JV player Arina Ivanova passes the ball down court to a team member. Her quick thinking and movements made her an essential member of the team.



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Girls' JV Basketball Team. Front row: Pamela Michaely, Mary Bush, Jessica Smith, Ruth Mejia, Coach Ladonna Gundling, Catrina Pagan, Danielle Hitchcock, Serena Ayres. **Back row:** Kim Colliss, Meghann Lands, Arina Ivanova, Erika O' Bannon, Ambur Hollenshead, Nicole Balbiani, Jessica Jimenez.



Brian M

Despite the season, the Girls' Teams manage

Layups, jumpshots AND 3-POINTERS

to give their all

"Dribble, dribble, shoot, shoot, take that ball to the hoop hoop" were some of the cheers that came from the crowds at the Girls' Basketball Team games. Both the Girls' Varsity and Girls' JV had disappointing seasons, but their hard work and devotion made them strong teams in the end.

Now coaching Varsity for two years, Coach Sharon Hicks said, "We played hard, and we never gave up. We had a lot of pride in ourselves, and the girls had a lot to look up to next year." Top player, as well as team captain, senior Alyson Adams said, "Even though we had a bad record, we still had a good time. I will miss the players next year."

With the majority of the players just up from JV, the Varsity had to practice fundamentals as opposed to plays. This lack of strategy building frustrated some returning Varsity players. The team settled for a season record of 0—12.

Girls' JV Basketball Coach Ladonna Gundling said, "One of our main goals was to work together as a team, and this season we worked well together as a team. We had a very fun season, and I looked at this year as a positive experience. Although we were a young team with girls that have never played before, they were successful at improving their skills."

The Girls' JV Basketball Team was young and inexperienced, consisting mainly of freshmen. But they managed to get a couple of wins and always had a positive attitude if they won or lost. They had a season record of 2—12. Freshman Kim Colliss said, "We had to work hard, but we had fun while doing it."

Freshman Meghann Lands said, "It was a fun year and a lot of hard work. Although our record was not something to brag about, it was really fun."

Both teams ended up with negative records, but they never gave up and ended the season with positive team experiences.

by Amy Thomas

TIMEOUT

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"Although our record was disappointing, I still had a lot of fun, and I look forward to next year's basketball season."



—Krystal Phaneuf, Varsity



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JV player Erika O'Bannon looks for a team member to whom to pass the ball. She was a top player throughout the entire season.

Dribbling down court, JV forward Jessica Jimenez runs toward the basket. The drills at practice helped her improve her speed and dexterity.

Girls' Varsity Basketball Team. Front row: Kristine Scoles, Natalie Lee, April Sablan, Mel Fontanilla, Pia Malinis. **Back row:** Tiffany Lee, Elizabeth Phan, Alyson Adams, Krystal Phaneuf, Natalie Garcia.

Dribbling the ball down the field, Blake Fernandez maneuvers toward the goal. In the Logan game, Fernandez scored the point that enabled Irvington to win the match.

Getting into position, Eli Delgado prepares to head the ball. "Everyone on the team worked hard, which made me work harder and better," said Delgado.



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Evading the enemy team, Christopher Deluz, center halfback, pushes toward the goal. Deluz thought that the new coach motivated the team to play harder by playing with them and teaching them techniques from a player's perspective.

Stealing the ball from his opponent, Saul Garcia takes control for Irvington. Garcia's position was center halfback, both an offensive and defensive job.



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Rain or shine, day or night, the Boys' Soccer Teams

Enduring the vast GREEN FIELD

push past their limits

The Boys' Soccer Teams moved forth, with Varsity's emphasis upon winning and making it to the NCS, and the JV's focus upon improving.

Coaches Al Garcia and Tony Silveira stressed team effort for the Boys' Varsity. With this focus, according to center halfback Saul Garcia, the team improved. "I think we had great talent," said Garcia. "We had a mass improvement… We played more in unison and actually played for each other and not for ourselves." With a Varisty record of 7—1—4, the team qualified for NCS playoffs.

KICU Channel 36's *Sports Focus* chose team captain Blake Fernandez, senior, for "Play of the Month." The station awarded $1,000 to Irvington's athletic department for Fernandez's "scissors' kick" goal. "I wish I could have kept the money," said Fernandez. Team captain Jose Salazar, senior, thought the team could have made it to the second round of the NCS. "We had several opportunities to score," said Salazar, "but we did not put them away."

The Boys' JV Soccer Team improved, finishing with a record of 3—6—1. With the change in the New Year came a new coach. David Cordova, a graduate of Irvington, came back to coach the JV team. "This year was very different than last year," said goalie Matthew Pestana, junior. "We got a new coach and his teaching style was different."

Despite the changes in coaching, the Boys' JV Soccer Team performed better than in the past. The new coach improved the team by incorporating fun into their games. "I think we did pretty good towards the end of the season. We felt like we got better as time went on. He's a fun new coach, and he tried to make it fun for us when we were playing," said defender Anthony Moreno, freshman.

The team held together better than previous years. "This year was better…," said Jesus Suarez, sophomore. "We held together better. He's a great coach and was a soccer player himself… he taught us everything we needed to know to play better."

One of the epic moments during the JV season was a goal by an unexpected position. "My favorite memory was when I scored," said Pestana. "I was the goalie."

The Boys' Soccer Teams improved, and with the newfound dedication within the team, the players found success in themselves.

by Mathew Gilbuena

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"Overall, we could have done real well. We didn't have a lot of people to work with... We still held together well."



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—Jesus Suarez, JV

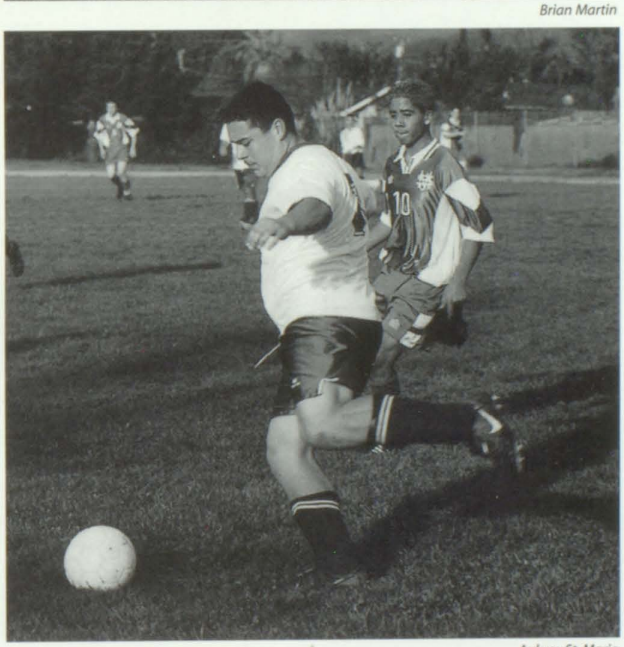
Boys' Varsity Soccer Team. Front row: Dennis Urrutia, Michael Birbeck, Eric Silveira, Samuel Cisnernos. **Middle row:** Jordan Murillo, Saul Garcia, Blake Fernandez, Matthew Delgado, Eli Delgado, Jose Salazar. **Back row:** Coach Al Garcia, Nicholas Eckler, Joel Murillo, Evgeny Sheyman, John Ashley, Bryan Evans, Douglas Brock, Daniel Fernandez, Craig Thayer, Coach Tony Silveira.



Brian Martin



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Boys' JV Soccer Team. Front row: Anthony Moreno, Adrian Garcia, Matthew Pestana, James Tran, Danny Arno. **Back row:** Travis Damberger, Christopher Zmolek, Matthew Hanson, Coach Cordova, Nick Regopoulos, Christopher Deluz, Jesus Suarez.

Booting the ball out of his field, Jesus Suarez regains control of the ball for IHS. Suarez played not only as a defender but also was as a team captain.

Girls' JV Soccer Team. Front row: Sarah Vegas, Ambur Hollenshead, Regina Quezada, Marcia Tai. **Second row:** Amy Thomas, Ramona Dean, Elise Galdin, Elicia VanRosendale, Ashley Denton. **Back row:** Rebecca Morgan, Marissa Nichols, Amber Uribe, Coach Natalie Ostrom, Erica Jhinnu, Lucy Kendall, Amanda Blythe.



Brain Martin



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In the game against Logan, Varsity player Anabel Leon kicks the ball away from Irvington's goal. With a fearless defensive attitude, Leon dominated all players on the field from freshmen to seniors.

JV player Erica Jhinnu dribbles the ball past Kennedy's defense. Jhinnu's good footwork earned her several goals throughout the season.

Playing in the pouring rain, Courtney Delzompo is still able to stay on her feet and get the ball away from Irvington's goal. The Girls' Varsity Team won the first round in the MVAL Tournament.

Fighting for control of the ball, Varsity player Jessica Salazar tries to get the ball out of a huge puddle. Even though they did not win, the Girls' Varsity pulled together and played as one.



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Getting wet and muddy did not stop the

Kicked where IT HURTS

Girls' Soccer Teams

Between an extremely rainy season and bad luck with injuries, the Girls' Soccer Teams had rough seasons. At first, the progress of the teams was slow and the expectation for a good season did not look good. But through hard work and determination, the soccer teams pulled through.

In the beginning of the season, the Varsity had to deal with new teammates, several of whom were freshmen like goalie Candice Schrodetzki. Head Coach Stephanie Manuel wanted the team to play as one team not just as different players on the field. So, the team learned new skills to help improve their skills and to bring the players closer together. Freshman Sarah Fernandez said, "We usually had the right idea, but it did not always work out during a game on the field."

The strong point of the Varsity team was its solid defense that helped out the team's offense which was not as strong. By the end of the season, the skills the players had learned were solid and helped them win against Logan.

The Varsity team had many talented players. Junior Courtney Delzompo said she looked up to the Varsity goalie. "Even when Candice Schrodetzki did not want to play goalie, she was the one to get the defense pumped up and back into the game." The Varsity team finished the season with a 5—1—6 record.

The JV team also dealt with the addition of new players. The JV players felt like they bonded right away which allowed them to play strong all season long even against the toughest teams. The JV team's Head Coach Natalie Ostrom reinforced the effort that the team put into a game. The team was reminded several times before a game to put in 110% effort. JV Girls' finished the season with a record of 5—1—5.

Their season records did not reflect the true strengths of the Girls' Soccer Teams. While not on the scoreboard, their determination was definitely on the field.

by Aubrey St. Marie

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"By the end of the season, we played really strong as a team. Our last game against Logan was the best one we played."



—Katherine Griffith, Varsity Co-Captain

Girls' Varsity Soccer Team. Front row: Melissa Genberg, Katherine Griffith. **Second row:** Monica Katen, Kristle Baker, Jessica Salazar, Sarah Fernandez, Tania Salazar, Courtney Delzompo, Laura O'Neill, Stephanie Boele. **Back row:** Assistant Coach Rebecca Miller, Veronica Caballero, Catherine Pomeroy, Lauren Hawkins, Candice Schrodetzki, Mystee Lopez, Nina Duenas, Anabel Leon, Coach Stephanie Manuel.



Brain Martin



Scott White



Scott White

Keeping the ball inside the field, JV player Amy Thomas tries to score a goal. Although Thomas did not score in this game, her offensive skills helped her team win against Newark.

Outrunning all the other players, Varsity player Katherine Griffith, offense, goes for the goal. Every time Griffith got the ball, she showed off her great ball control which earned her many assisted goals.

Do you smell what the IHS Wrestling Team is cooking?

This is not some little CHALLENGE

Hard work and a lot of determination made up the Wrestling Team. Yet, their season turned out to be a different than expected.

The wrestlers were determined athletes who went through intense workouts to be in the best possible condition. "This was the best year we've had since I have been here. Most of our losses were because we did not have a full Varsity team. We were missing heavyweights," said senior Sean McGuire, Varsity. Some losses were hard because they won almost every match, but the forfeited heavyweight matches cost them. The Wrestling Team ended with a 4—3 record.

Having the coach scream advice in a match was commonplace in wrestling. Coaches Mark Barnes and Mike Tringali led the Wrestling Teams. Junior Eric Walmer, Varsity, said, "They were great. They would give you all the help you need. They were also always willing to help you with any problem, wrestling or personal."

Injuries ranging from a dislocated elbow to a broken collarbone hurt the team. Having few returning seniors did not help either. "We had a lot of freshmen and sophomores and only eight upperclassmen. Injuries claimed four of our better wrestlers," said senior Dallas Tringali, Varsity.

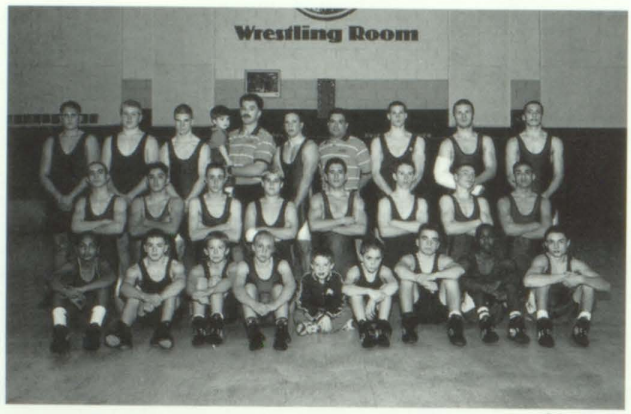
The hard work during practices paid off, as seven wrestlers made NCS: sophomores Diwan Williams and Frank Becerra, junior Duane House, and seniors Dallas Tringali, Alex Yupanqui, Sean McGuire, and Mike Reeves. Tringali place fifth overall at the tournament.

Unity was definitely present among the Wrestling Team. Senior Jose Palacios, Varsity, said, "The whole team is just a family. Even the JV team showed a lot of heart this year."

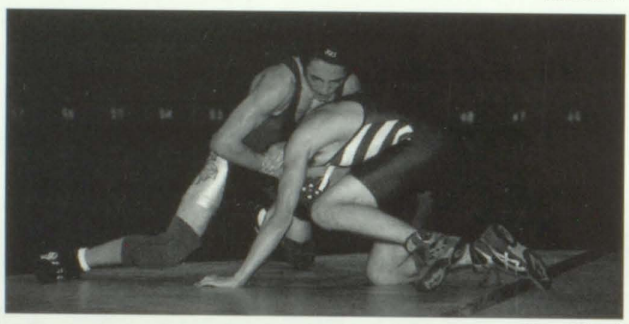
The JV team was full of athletes who gave it their all. "It was a lot of hard work, but it was also a lot of fun and well worth it," said sophomore Elizabeth Macari.

Coach Barnes said, "They were a great team. We had a lot of fun."

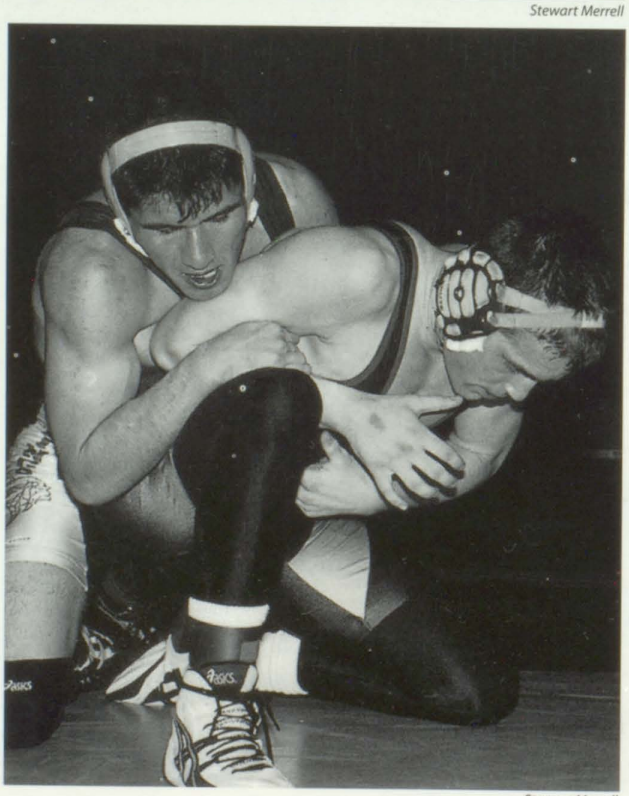
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Wrestling Team. Front row: Gurprit Singh, Brandon Stephens, Scott Henry, Elizabeth Macari, Dalton Barnes, Jason Hall, Jarrod Fiance, Diwan Williams, Frank Becerra. **Second row:** Dallas Tringali, Benjamin Martinez, Justin Kalla, Charles Marotta, Alex Yupanqui, William Wolf, John Zmolek, Duane House. **Back row:** Brandon Bogue, Ernest Cheatham-Davis, Sean McGuire, Connor Barnes, Coach Mark Barnes, Mike Reeves, Coach Mike Tringali, Eric Walmer, Patrick Zmolek, Jason Demming.

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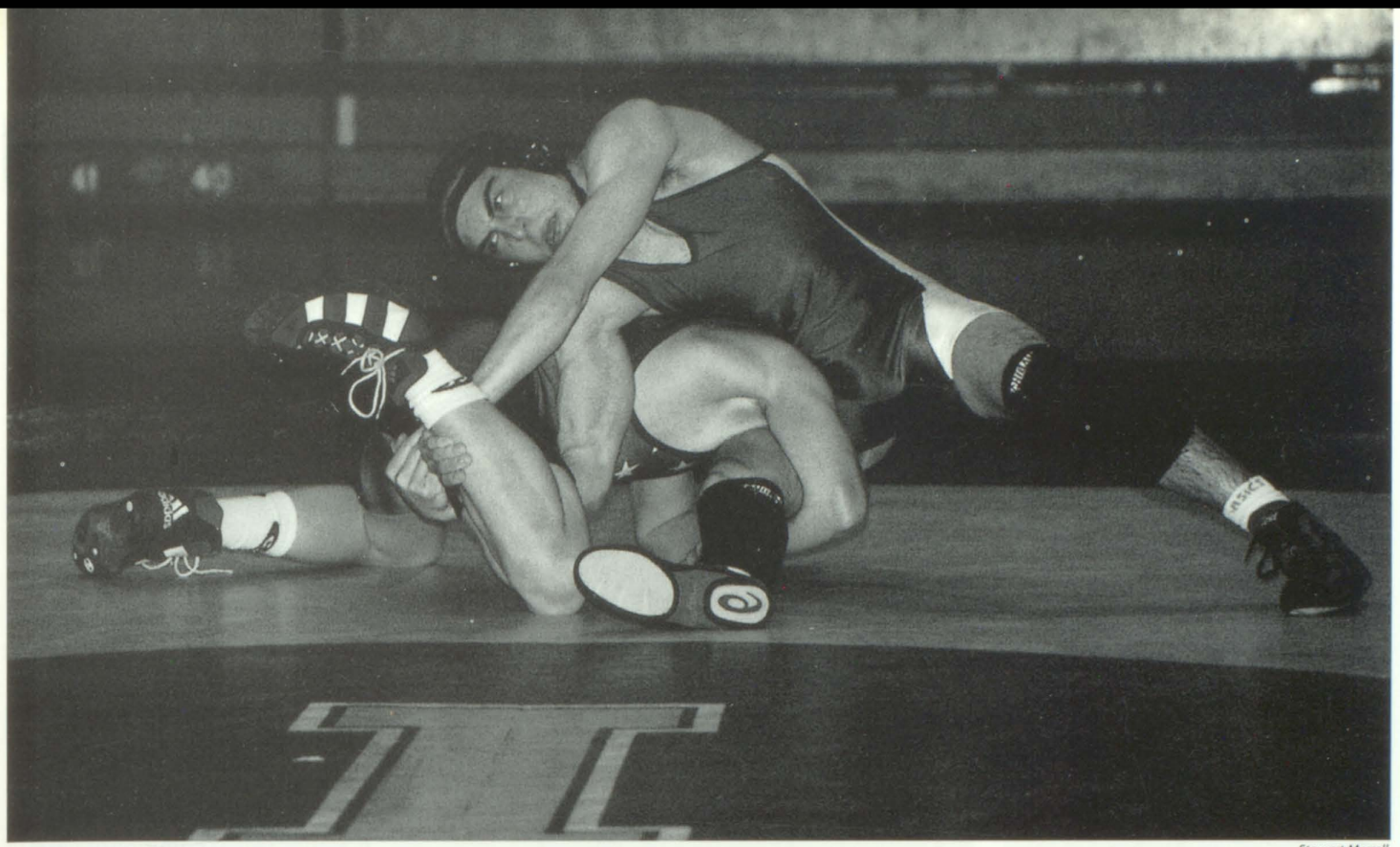
"We all had a good year. Now I get to look forward to watching them become better than I am. Best of luck and "squeeze the day."



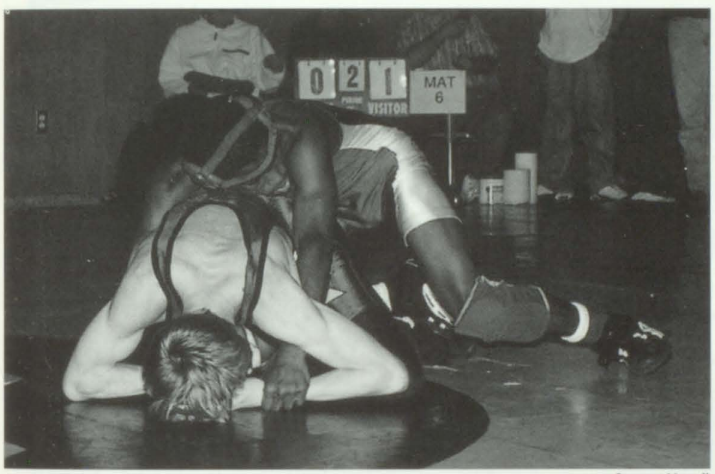
—Dallas Tringali, Varsity

Pushing his opponent's head down, Frank Becerra struggles to stay on top. Becerra was one of two sophomores who qualified for NCS.

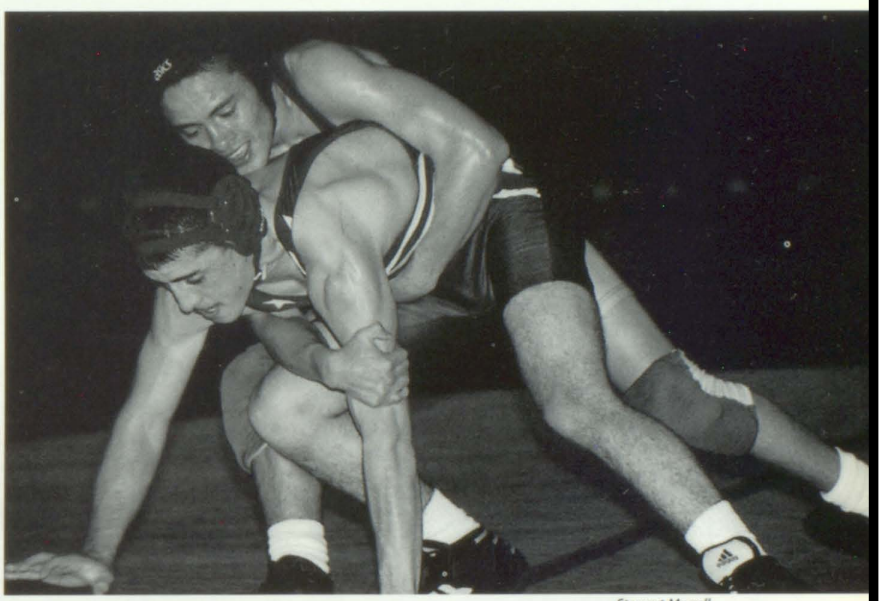
Trying to gain control of his opponent's wrist, Alex Yupanqui strategizes on how to pin him. Yupanqui, one of the returning seniors, qualified for NCS.



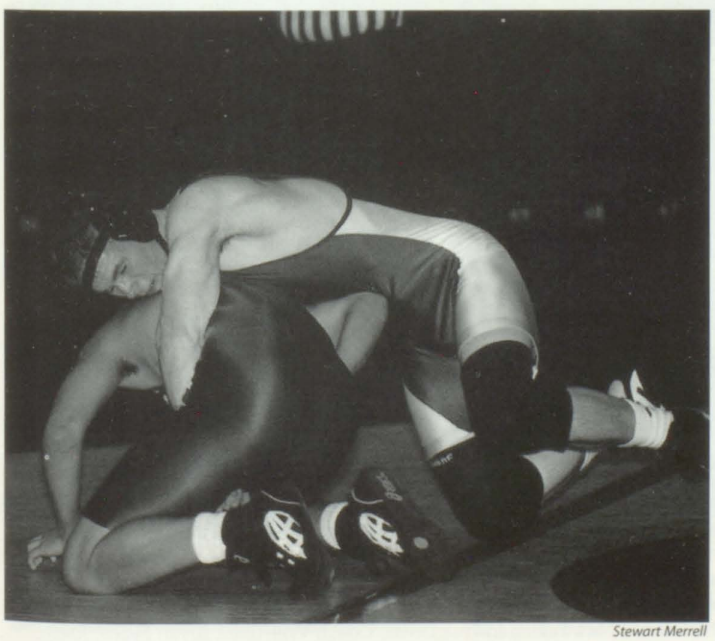
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While trying to get up, Dallas Tringali struggles to control his opponent's leg. Tringali had a good season in which he placed 5th overall at NCS.

With his hands clenched under his opponent, Diwan Williams tries to turn his opponent over. Diwan regularly brought home medals from the tournaments in which he competed.

Grabbing his opponent's arm and chest, Jose Palacios forces his opponent to the mat. Palacios suffered a shoulder injury and was out for most of the season.

Scrambling to his feet, Sean McGuire tries to roll his opponent over so he can pin him. Sean qualified for NCS but was injured shortly before and was unable to compete.

Definitely one of the key players, pitcher Jason Goldstone gets ready to fire a hard one at a Logan batter. One of the things the Varsity team lacked was a full pitching staff, which kept Goldstone out on the mound the majority of a game.



Parita Patel



Parita Patel

Showing no mercy, JV catcher Keith Aldinger hustles to get a Newark Memorial runner out. He was successful in his endeavor, and his adroit skills led him to be an integral player on the JV lineup.

With his eye on the ball, David Redgrave, JV, concentrates and aims to smack it out of the field. Redgrave played both shortstop and pitcher positions, contributing to a very strong infield and pitching crew.



Aubrey St. Marie



Parita Patel

Varsity Baseball Team. Front row: Rick Mata, Rudy Soria, Vernon Smith, Blake Fernandez. **Second row:** Jason Goldstone, Danny Fernandez, Jordan Murillo, Chris Wendel, Javier Alamillo, Kevin Huntzinger. **Back row:** Coach Nick Krell, Sr., Nick Krell, Nick Eckler, Joshua Lewis, Coach Will Tilley, Bryan Evans, Joel Murillo, Tommy Peters, Coach Bill Wendel.

Varsity and JV Baseball Teams have good outlooks for seasons

Have You Seen MY BASEBALL?

Have no fear Irvington-ites, these guys really have no trouble finding their baseballs. The Varsity and JV Teams got off to a great start with high hopes for a prosperous season.

With a combined pre-season and league record of 5—4—1, the Varsity team was already looking good compared to last year's record of 12—12. Bryan Evans had "high expectations for the season. I think we might make NCS for the first time." Senior Tommy Peters had the same speculations, "We're one of the better baseball teams in the league. We have the talent to make NCS." More team unity and team spirit, along with better all around skills fostered this feeling.

The JV Baseball Team also had optimistic views for their season. When comparing the season to last year's, sophomore David Redgrave said that "This looks like a winning season. We have a stronger defense than last year, as well as a stronger offense." Sophomore Anthony Novello, the teams' pitcher and catcher, said, "We didn't start out too well last season, but now we're on a roll."

At the same time, the Varsity and JV Baseball Teams were adjusting to the same thing: a new coach for each team. The new Varsity Coach Will Tilley brought with him an aggressive style along with a strong sense of discipline. "He's a very vocal coach, and he's up front and straightforward. If he thinks you can do more, he'll say something," said senior Nick Krell. Just as aggressive, the new JV Coach Gonzalo Martinez was also looked upon as a good coach by his players. Adrian Garcia, freshman, said, "He gets us pumped up for games."

The Varsity team embodied talent and heart, which only helped their sense of unity grow more. Josh Lewis, Varsity first baseman, summed it up best: "When we have a good day, we can beat anyone." One thing was for certain: there were definitely going to be a lot more "good days" out on the diamond.

by Richelle Nobles and Shilpa Andalkar

TIMEOUT

IRV	VARSITY	OPP
0	Logan	12
2	Newark	12
4	Kennedy	0

IRV	JV	OPP
4	Logan	5
5	Newark	5
6	Kennedy	2

"We're closer as team in every perspective. As long as the team camaraderie stays together, we have the potential to go places."
—Nick Krell, Varsity


Parita Patel

Trying to psych out the pitcher and the first baseman, Varsity Chris Wendel slyly leads off in an attempt to steal second. Wendel also defended second base while out on the field.

The only sophomore on the Varsity Baseball Team, first baseman Josh Lewis picks off a runner from Logan trying to steal second. Despite Lewis' strong skills, Logan ended up defeating Irvington.


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Parita Patel

JV Baseball Team. Front row: Chris Warmack, Adrian Garcia, Trevor Sanford, Nick Rutchena. **Second row:** Brian Loeswick, Keith Aldinger, Nick Regopoulos, Shaune Crawford, Bobby Valentine, Anthony Novello. **Back row:** David Redgrave, Robert Stanley, Zachary Silvernale, Coach Gonzalo Martinez, Clay Palmberg, Curtis Jensen, Matt Pestana.

In preparation for the upcoming game against Logan, Jennifer Burbank, Varsity pitcher, throws a warm-up pitch. Burbank, who started softball at the age of seven, pitched all four years of high school. "I... [strive] to keep us in the game," said Burbank.

Glove ready, Katherine Winkley, JV catcher, squats to catch the incoming ball. Winkley said, "I've become stronger in catching. This is something I enjoy doing very much."



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Peering toward the pitcher's mound, Andrea Trevino, Varsity second baseman, aims to hit the ball. "If you try to hit a homerun," said Trevino, "then you will strike out every time."

Varsity Softball Team. Front row: Andrea Trevino, Jessica Stryczek, Jessica Jimenez, Laura O'Neill, Krystal Phaneuf. **Back row:** Coach Kim Martin, Desire Olsen, Crystal Stader, Jennifer Burbank, Sara Dudgeon, Jessica Perkins, Coach Sandy Silva.

Throwing a ball in the outfield, Varsity right fielder Crystal Stader rockets the ball to the waiting infielder. This being her first year on the Varsity team, the Varsity won this game against Kennedy.



Ann Lan

Hardened after a successful pre-season, Softball

Patience, Virtue, and HOME PLATE

refines their techniques

Determination to win and cooperation made a strong team. With that in mind, the Varsity and JV Softball Teams took on all comers.

Sitting around waiting for the March rains to end was no fun. The rain caused the pre-season to go into the regular season. The Varsity's pre-season record was 5—4—1.

Speed was on the Varsity's side. "I think we are doing good. We are stealing more bases," said senior Jennifer Burbank, Varsity pitcher. But as with any season, players had their off days. Helping others who were in need was not a problem for the Varsity team. "When we are struggling, [we] work together as a team to bring ourselves up," said junior Desire Olsen, Varsity first baseman.

Having a coach who was encouraging made things easier. "Ms. [Kim] Martin is a dedicated coach and even though we have had some troubles this year, she has really kept us positive and upbeat," said Jessica Perkins, Varsity third baseman.

With dedicated coaching from Coach Rhonda Gardner, the JV Softball Team refined their skills in batting and communication. Freshman Erin Strong, right field, learned a lot about softball. "This is my first year," said Strong. "From the pre-season, I think we'll do very well." She thought that the drills on positioning and catching helped her.

Strategy was another focus for the team. Freshman Julie Burch, left field, appreciated the emphasis upon communication. "The team met all my expectations," said Burch. "We... [focused] on how to react to various situations and on communications out in the field." Sophomore Michelle Thurman, second base, also appreciated this emphasis. "A lot of the girls are not used to being on a team like this," said Thurman. "They learn the system and how to play."

With a productive pre-season, the Varsity and JV Softball Teams continued to refine their skills under the clock of a competitive season.

by Mathew Gilbuena and Stewart Merrell

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W	St. Joseph's	L
W	Monroe	L

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L	Grenada	W
W	Newark	L
L	Logan	W

"Our team is really supportive! If someone is having a bad day, everyone comes together and helps that person."



Ann Lan

—Desire Olsen, Varsity

"I love the fact we actually all get along together pretty well and that we work as a team..., even with our troubles on batting."



Parita Patel

—Elena Hoexter, JV

JV Softball Team. Front row: Sarina Suminguit, Erin Strong, Allison Hollenshead, Sarena Ayres. **Second row:** Kristen Teuscher, Katherine Winkley, Julie Burch. **Back row:** Coach Ron Shaw, Jamie Null, Katie Dudgeon, Natalie Garcia, Elena Hoexter, Joanne Kabariti, Michelle Thurman, Coach Ronda Gardner.



Parita Patel



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Gaining momentum with her wind-up, Katie Dudgeon, JV pitcher, propels the ball over home-plate. "Its a hard position," said Dudgeon. "The whole team counts on me to keep my head up."



Loni Lasseter



Kurt del Rosario



Kurt del Rosario

After throwing the shotput, Richard Cardadeiro anxiously watches it land. Teammates considered Cardadeiro to be one of the best shotputters.

Using built up momentum, Charndeep Grewal leaves his distinctive mark in the sand. To prepare for the long jump event, Grewel trained for almost eight hours a week.

In the 300m hurdles, Katherine Griffith leaves her Logan opponents in the dust. Throughout the race, she had a 10m lead over her nearest competitor. At the Logan meet, she took first place.

With the propulsion from her pole, Lauren Hawkins sails gracefully over the measuring bar. At the Logan meet, Hawkins ranked high among her teammates in this event.



Kurt del Rosario

It's a bird, it's a plane, oh, no, it's the

Moving at the Speed OF LIGHT

track and field team

"One, two, three, one! One, two, three, two!" Even during their training, the Track and Field Team did not forget the meaning of teamwork.

The goal of the team according to veteran Coach Leo O'Neill was "... to make them better than last year. I'd like to send at least five people to the state competition and to make my good athletes elite." The team was filled with strong athletes who helped Coach O'Neill achieve this goal by breaking records at the beginning of the season.

The 2:1 ratio between guys and girls made no difference to the team because both performed well at the meets. Coach O'Neill said that the Boys' team was the best one he had coached while the Girls' had the best field events because they had depth in their skills in the long jump, high jump and pole vault.

The Track Team had strong players in all events. Senior Lewis Jackson and junior Staci Lopes earned reputations as the best sprinters. Junior Cheri Zhou and senior Bryce Taylor received recognition for their skills in events such as the long and high jump. Seniors Victor Wong and Katherine Griffith placed in all hurdle events. Sophomores Holly Root and Abigail Galloway and junior Robert Dort ranked as excellent distance runners.

In order to prepare for their meets, the Track Team did a special type of training. The team did drill exercises in the water. "This is the track team under water," said Coach O'Neill. These exercises helped the distance runners build their resistance. "It is to give the body the same workout as running seven miles, but it doesn't have the chin pain that occurs," said Coach O'Neill.

The Track Team's greatest strengths were their enthusiasm, dedication and relaxed attitude. At the Cougar Invitational, they successfully broke seven school records. "We're all together. We help each other out," said freshman Irena Ivanova.

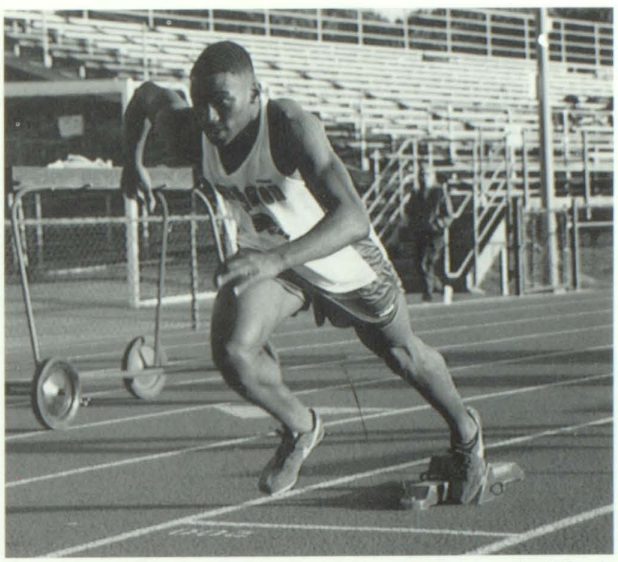
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Before she throws her discus, Ruth Mejia takes a moment to concentrate.Since the Girls' team was so small, they had to participate in all games in order to avoid forfeiting the field events.

At the sound of the starting signal, Bryce Taylor prepares to sprint in the 400m. He placed fourth in this event.



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TIMEOUT

IRV		OPP
W	Newark	L
L	Logan	W
W	Washington	L
W	Cougar Invitational	L
W	Stanford Invitational	L
W	Kbell Invitational	L

"This year's team has been our strongest, and our senior captains have done a great job in leading the team in order for us to win so many meets."

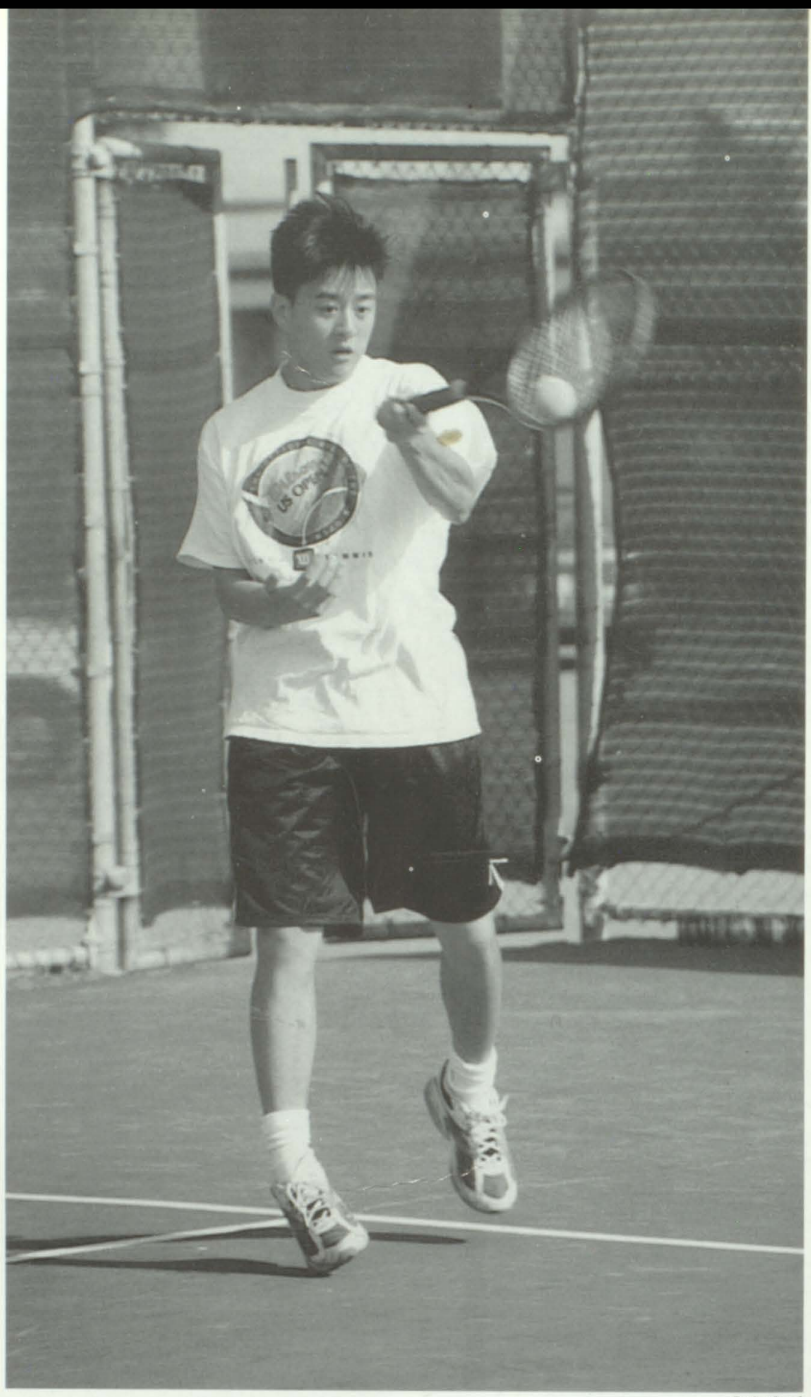


—John Ashley, Varsity .



Brian Martin

Track and Field Team. Front row: Sarah Ranalli, April Pyle, Irene Yuen, Noosha Kahali, Adelle Bass, Enny Van, John Magat, Alysa Nimendez, Diana Chein, Irina Ivanova, Ruth Mejia, Carrin Flores, Lindsey Myers, Jessica Supnet, Cheri Zhou. **Second row:** Coach Dan Avery, Lauren Hawkins, Stephanie Hammack, Richard Cardadeiro, Ashley Duerr, Cortney Hamic, Holly Root, Cetina Taylor, Coach Leo O'Neill, Daniel Arno, Robert Noakers, Staci Lopes, Matthew Smith, Coach Alcazar. **Third row:** John Ashley, Cesar Alcazar, Tony Chan, John Lathbury, Jeremy Cunningham, Abigail Galloway, Jake Stone, Brian Lee, Jesus Quezada, Victor Wong. **Back row:** Anglelo Siu-Toung, Miguel Sandoval, Josh Stone, Tim Cao, Jeremy Leonard, Albert Sandoval, Ryan Buchanan, Jesus Suarez, Robert Dort, Danny Farmen, Chad Freeman, Jarrod Fullerton, William Miranda, Nick Johnson, Chris Zmolek, Zaman Virani, Steve Miller.



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Doubles #1 player Khoa Nguyen smacks the ball back to his opponent. "We play this sport because we enjoy hitting," Nguyen said.

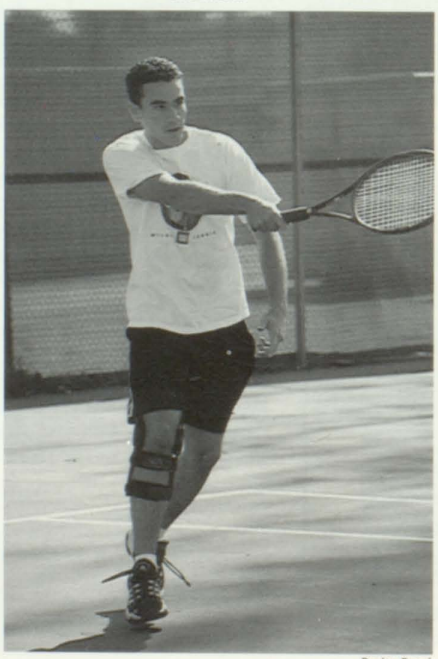
Boys' Tennis Team. Front row: Mike Cruz, Khoa Nguyen, Andrew Trong, Arjun Pisharodi, Max Zhukor, Bobak Jafferzadeh. **Back row:** Assistant Coach Lorraine Chao, Craig Thayer, Jimmy Mattar, Wayne Dere, Dmitriy Lubski, Brandon Tang, Erik Bryant, Coach Mary Bryant.



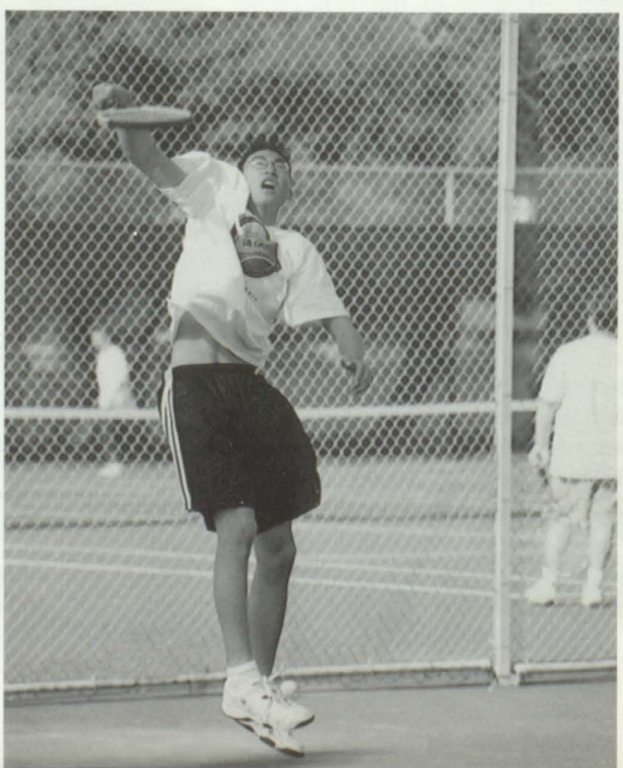
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After slamming a high-flying ball, Albert Li returns to earth. This was Li's third year out on the court.

Even with his knee wrapped in a brace, Craig Thayer cracks a wicked forehand across the net. Thayer decided to try tennis for the first time since undergoing surgery for a dislocated knee prevented him from doing so last year.



Parita Patel



Parita Patel

Even without tryouts, players appear

A Little Lesson in EXERCISE

out of thin air

Even with no tryouts for the Boys' Tennis Team, the players started out the season well, but predicted only average results.

The team of only 13 players was not large, but larger than last year's. With only two returning seniors, new Coach Mary Ann Bryant had to establish rapport right away. "She's always in a good mood and she jokes around," said team captain Erik Bryant. "Plus, she's my mom."

Practice began in February with the first match against Logan High School. Even though they lost 4-3, the players felt a sense of compatibility with each other. "Everyone gets along, and that makes it fun," said Khoa Nguyen, senior.

Each player had his own way of adding to the strength of the overall team. First year player Craig Thayer, senior, could play anything from the fast-paced game of doubles to the strategy-filled singles match. Veteran players helped out the younger players with their previous experience on the team.

Even so, Dmitriy Lubski, junior, thought that their skills were a little scattered. During practices, players would play just about every type of game, but not focus on one particular strength for each player. "There's not enough consistency in our skills," he said. However, the conditioning process focused on running so that the strengthening of the legs could improve footwork.

On March 24, 2000, the team took on the Teacher vs. Student Challenge, a casual game against some of the faculty including Mr. Seiji Kawamura, Mr. Ben Dow and Mr. Bob Spain. "Though not many scores were actually recorded, it was a great time for all," said Coach Bryant.

The team garnered only two wins during the pre-season, but that was better than the year before. "We had a very good season, even if the scores didn't indicate it. They've had four different coaches in the last four years," said Coach Bryant. "They're very supportive and very intense in both practices and matches."

by Tina Le and Patrick Morris

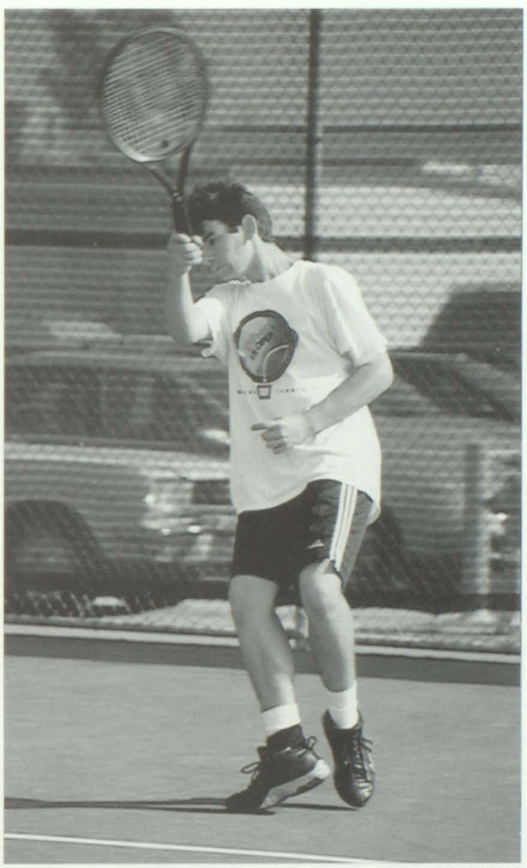
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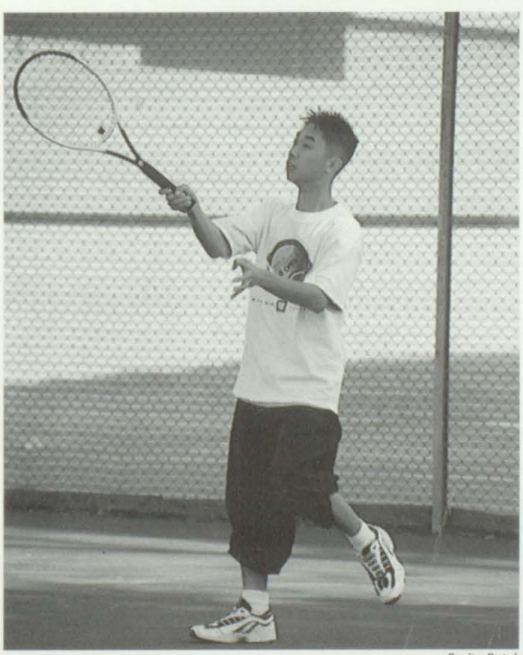
"I've been playing for four years and have had a lot of fun. The team worked really hard."



—Erik Bryant, Varsity Team Captain



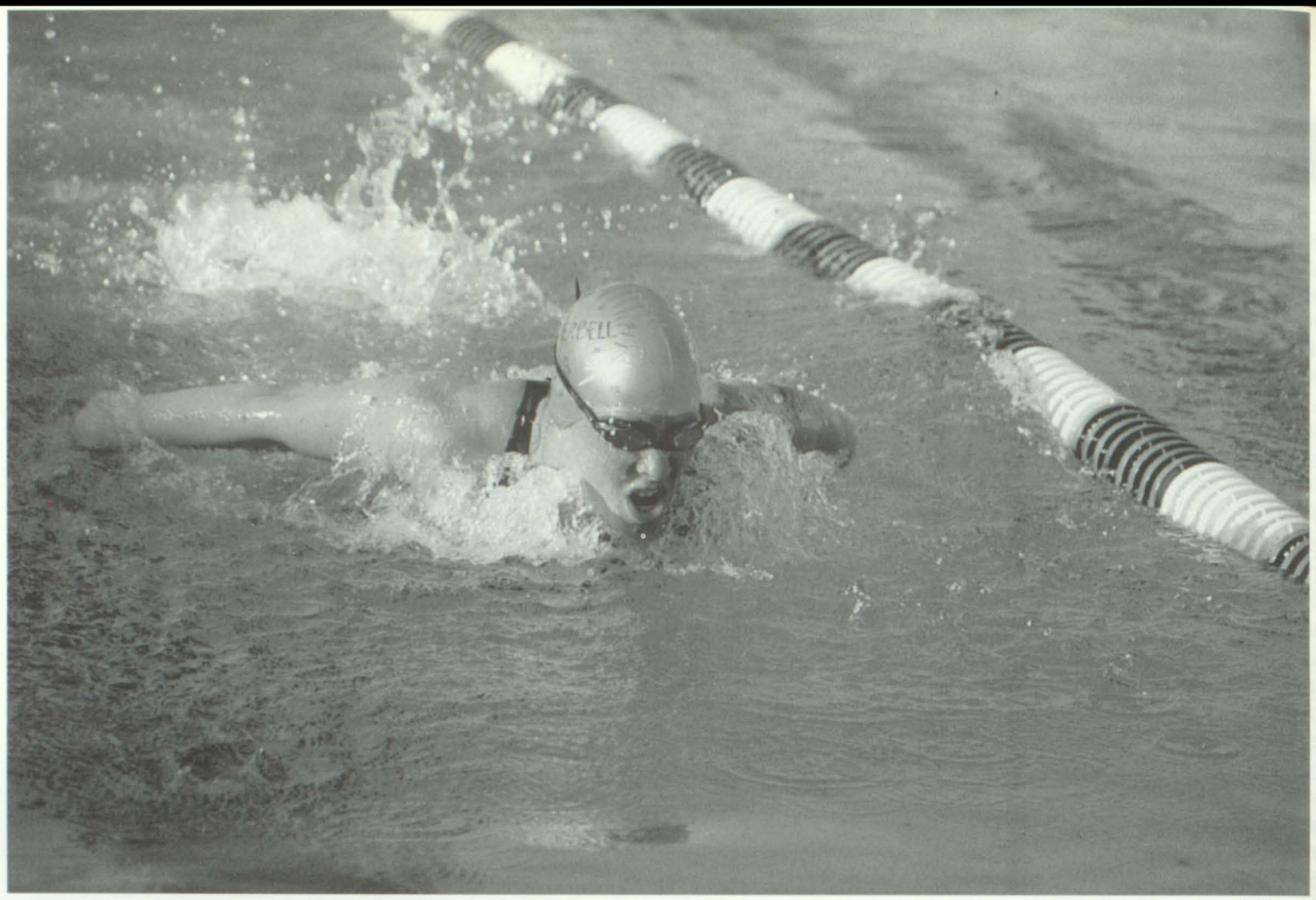
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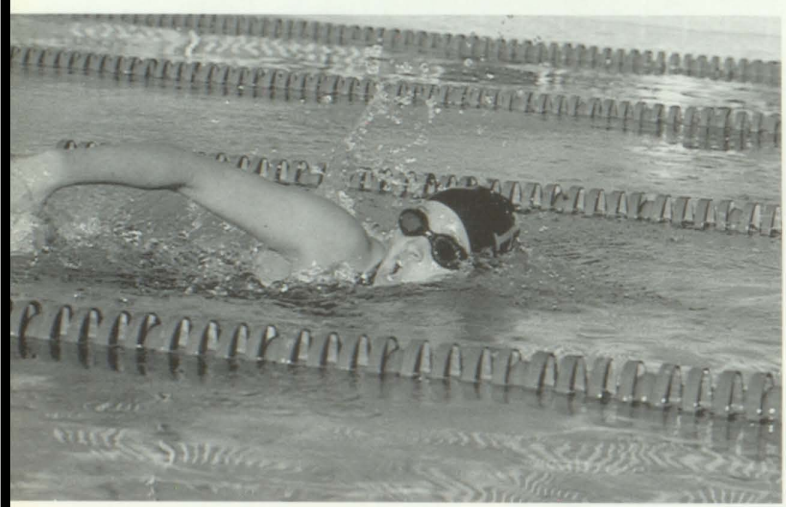
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Dancing like a butterfly and stinging like a bee, Jamil Mattar follows through on his forehand. His fancy footwork was among the team's finest.

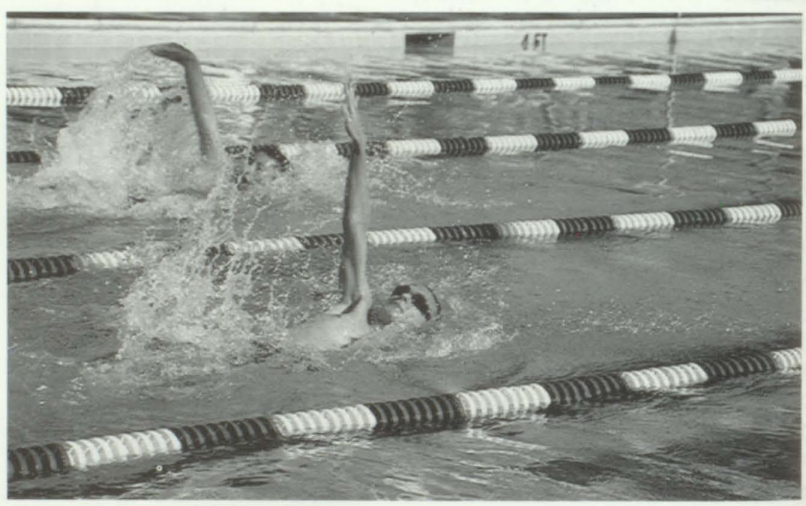
In the late afternoon sun, Christopher Kong serves the ball. The warm spring weather was a welcomed relief to the rainy weather suffered during the team's earlier practices.



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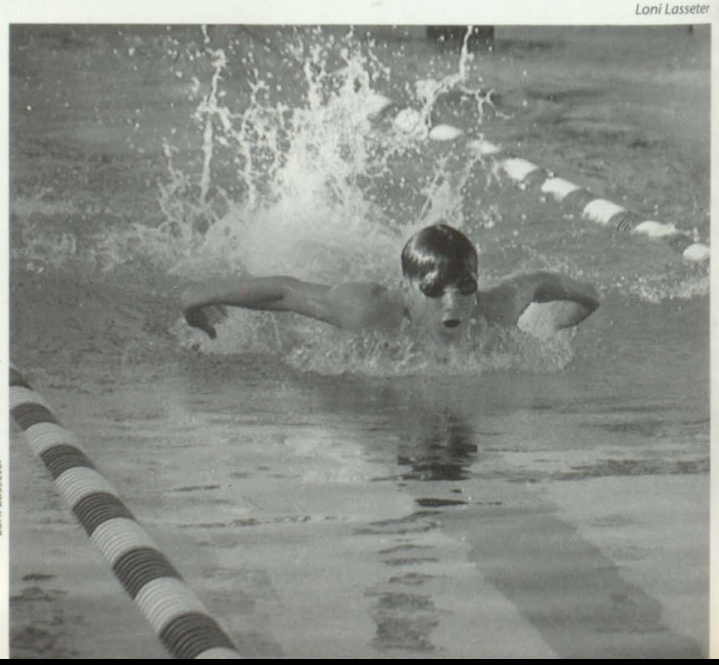
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Swimming facefirst in the water, Varsity Lisa Covey races to the other end of the pool. Covey earned the *Argus'* "Athlete of the Week" honors.

Trying her hardest in a meet against Newark, Varsity Kim Vanderwerken freestyles her way to the wall. Both Varsity and JV won.

Nothing can get in the way of Ryan Silveira's backstroke in this meet against Washington. A successful competition, both the Varsity and JV teams won.

Varsity Andy DeGregorio races the clock during the Newark meet. DeGregorio's best events are the 50m- and 100m- fly.



Loni Lasseter

Irvington swimmers prevail in the deep end

Vikings Take the PLUNGE

of the swimming pool

The calm, serene waters turned into a churning wrath when the Irvington Swim Team took to the pool. Armed with only spandex Speedos and swim caps, the Swim Team managed to give more than what was needed out in the wide, aqueous blue.

The Swim Team faced the season with the new and improved pool. The team was left without a pool for over two years. "It's so much better for all of us. We really have our own pool," said JV swimmer Heather Alcock, sophomore. "It's also cool to finally have swim meets at Irvington instead of Ohlone College. It's so much more efficient," she added.

The Girls' JV Team started off the swim season strongly. They beat out teams from Newark Memorial, Washington, and Mission to take the first place standing at the Township Relays. "We worked really hard for that first place standing. In my opinion we really deserved it," said JV swimmer Shawnna Denos, sophomore. The team agreed that they would work at making this season their most successful.

The Varsity Team hit many speed bumps early on. "The team to beat is Mission. They are always on top, and I want the team to beat them the next time we meet," said Girls' Varsity swimmer Kim Vanderwerken, junior.

Although the Boys' Varsity Team did not have depth, two swimmers, seniors Gene Kendall and Eric Aguilar, managed to qualify for NCS in five different events. "We each have our special strengths. This team just needs to gain more experience," said Aguilar. The Boys' Varsity Swim Team was composed mainly of freshmen. However, the experienced swimmers were always willing to help when others needed it.

The swimmers knew when to give their best in the pool. Their hard work and dedication to their sport really showed when the time came to get wet and win.

by Kurt del Rosario and Christina Garcia

TIMEOUT

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W	Washington	L
W	Township	L

IRV	JV	OPP
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W	Newark	L
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"We are all really working hard this year, and we really have a great



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team with talented freshman swimmers."

—Lisa Covey, Varsity



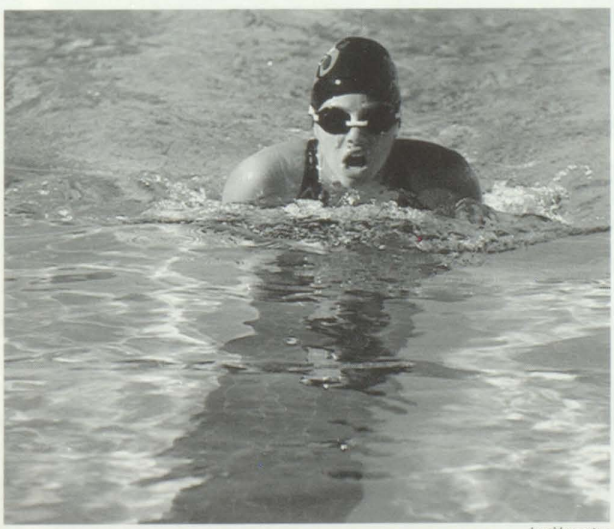
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JV Swim Team. Front row: Regina Quezada, Amy Thomas, Marilia Maschion, Corinna Leon, Shawnna Denos. **Second row**: Janice Arora, Nicole Alcock, Joelle Fletcher, Esther Aykarethu, Sarah Dicherico, Jennifer Sewell, Sara Lutzinger. **Back row**: Coach Nicole Larson. **Not pictured:** Heather Piccolotto.



Loni Lasseter

Varsity Swim Team. Front row: Josh Machaely, Lisa "Tinkerbell" Covey, Rachelle Bogue, Erica Jhinnu, Sara Fulk, Brittany Nicole Lovejoy, Natalie Beggs. **Second row**: Kim Vanderwerken, Amanda "Bug" Woodrum, Amy Watson, Shelby Twohig. **Third row**: Jeff Litwin, Andy Degregorio, Michael McLaughlin, Casey Covey, Gene Kendall, Eric Aguilar, Steve Premeau. **Back row**: Shannon Purvis.



Loni Lasseter

Taking deep breaths ensures Shelby Twohig an efficient stroke. Twohig is one of the many new freshmen on the Varsity Swim Team.

The Badminton Team's intense drilling

Having a Smashing GOOD TIME

proves to be the key

Back and forth the Badminton Team repeatedly, yet diligently, ran across the gym. Whether it was stretching, sprinting, clearing or warming up, these mere exercises were only a part of the badminton season. From day one, the Badminton Team knew they were in for strenuous and physically challenging workouts for the spring season.

The team found the sport grueling. They had to take part in laborious conditioning, with sometimes no break. "With these drills, I always try to emphasize proper techniques and fundamentals," said Coach Steve Strout. After winning, the team would look forward to not running any laps. If they were not so lucky as to win, they faced the ever dreadful UCLAs (running back and forth in the main gym for a selected number of laps). Even though it appeared exhausting, these drills stressed discipline and improvement.

The athletes took much pride in the efforts of their team. Encouragement was essential for bringing about confidence in games. "We've always had problems with getting support from our school, even from our own teammates," said junior Anne Chung, Varsity. In order to emphasize team spirit, Coach Strout would make the players run five UCLAs if they did not congratulate their own teammates after each match, whether it was a win or a loss.

The Badminton Team had several strengths and proved to be versatile opponents. "Everyone showed many abilities out there on the court in their own different ways," said sophomore Gerstein Padua. Among the top players were Pia Malinis, Anne Chung, Marvin Fontanilla, Ashkan Dorodyan, Erica Terry, Gloria Kee, Ryan Rose, Jonnel Jacinto, Steven Fan and Elizabeth Phan.

Through the demanding routines and the confidence boosters, the Badminton Team fully demonstrated the characteristics of strong and competitive athletes.

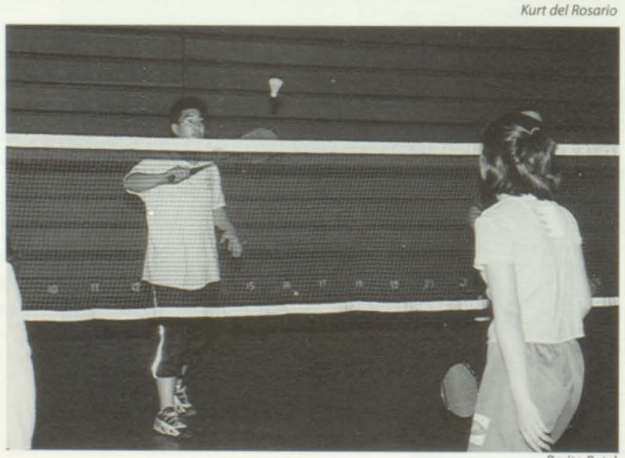
by Jessica Bonham and Diane Stendahl



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Dropping birds smoothly down each alley, Emory Lee, Varsity, demonstrates the proper technique. She agreed that all the hard practices were well worth it after her progress showed in her matches.

Performing drills, Gerstein Padua, Varsity, concentrates on manuvering his wrist to execute an effective backhand. With so many different styles, Gerstein found this move the most effective.

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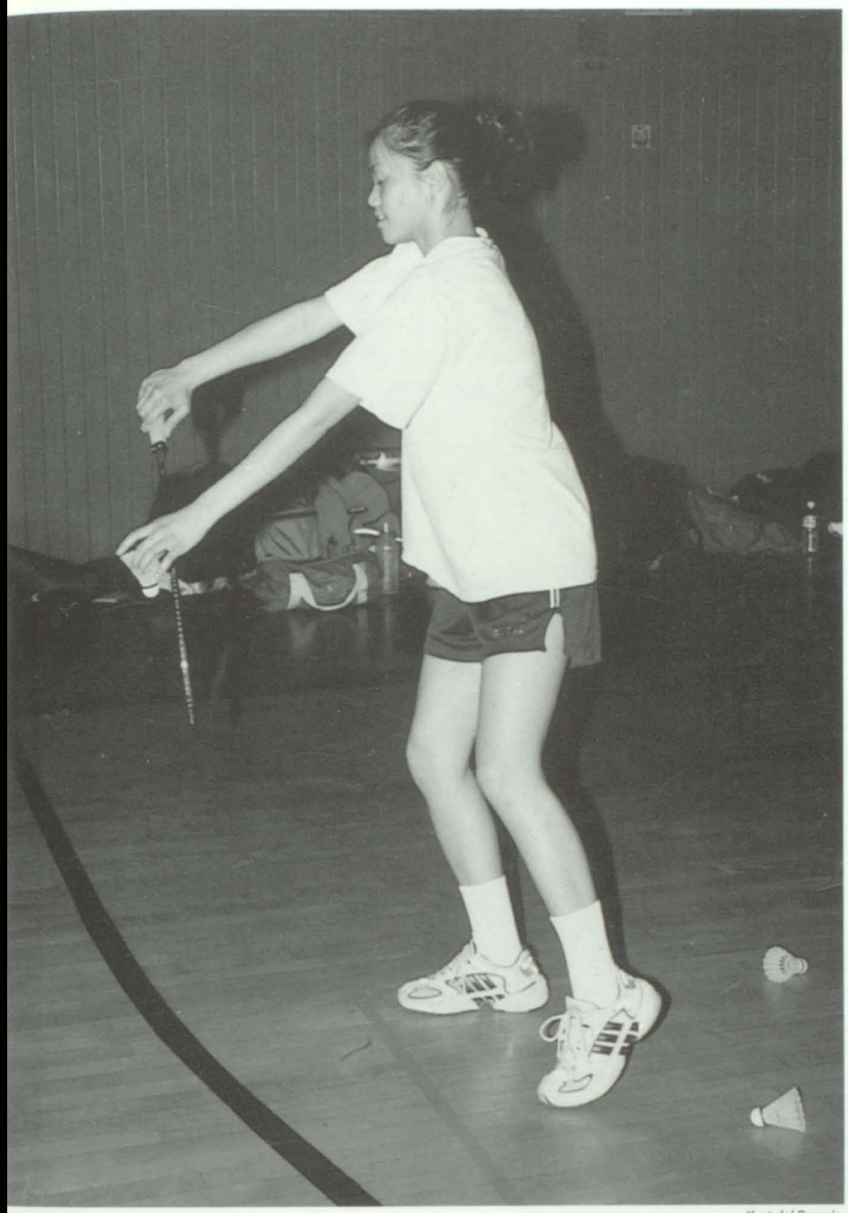
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"I think that the Badminton Team takes on a lot of slack from people who say that badminton is just a workout and not a sport. I'd like to see these people try to hit a bird."



—Mani Jassar, Varsity

Boys' and Girls' Badminton Team. Front row: Mai Dinh, Karen Chan, Katherine Tadina, Linda Le, Sarah Bae, Sandra Jo, Rosanna Huang, Adrianna Leung, Natalie Le, Nicole Chan, Helen Chan, Erica Terry. **Second row:** April Sablan, Jen Byun, Jenni Cheung, Anne Chung, Marie, Erika Ramos, Dorothy Lee, Jowell Jacinto, Mani Jassar, Jonnel Jacinto. **Third row:** Becki Simones, Teresa Bae, Katrina Gonzalez, Vicky Lao, Yurika Vu, Lakheana Suon, May Mei, Dorota Meller, Ben Ho, Virginia Huynh, Coach Steve Strout. **Fourth row:** Charlie Carrillo, Elizabeth Phan, Carolyn Feng, Emory Lee, Puneet Kaur, Megha Patel, Aneela Ahmed, Rahim Sonawalla, Eric Leung, Shilpa Andalkar. **Back row:** Steven Fan, Gerstein Padua, James Liu, Kevin Lin, Puja Patel, Han Min, Ryan Rose, Steven Joseph, Matt Cunha, Robin Basra.



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Preparing to serve the bird, Elizabeth Phan, Varsity, makes sure she uses correct form. The entire team practiced daily on several techniques in order to have consistency at each match.

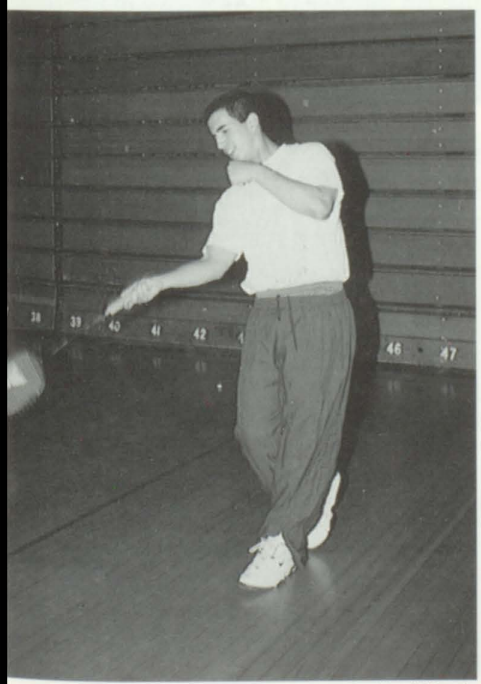
Setting up to hit a clear, Dorota Meller, JV singles player, puts her all into returning her partner's serve. Aside from clearing, Dorota continued to improve other skills such as dropping and smashing to build her offensive strategies.



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During practice, Matt Cunha, Varsity, works on his forehand. This would later help him with his drives when playing his opponents.

Performing a clear, Carolyn Feng, Varsity, concentrates on the birdie. In her fourth year on the team, Feng is one of the top Girls' Varsity players.



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We have spirit, yes, we do, we have spirit,

Give a Cheer to the SPIRITLEADERS

how about you?

Spiritleaders, with their proud cheers and boundless energy, made up for any lack of spirit on the part of the students. To display such endless enthusiasm took more effort and discipline than anyone could imagine.

Training took place at the summer cheer camp. At the end of camp, the spiritleaders demonstrated what they had learned in front of a panel of judges and did well enough to compete in Hawaii. The cost for the trip was the final obstacle especially since they had other costs to worry about. The total expense of a complete spiritleading uniform added up to nearly a $1000.

Performing stunts required plenty of trust among the squad members. One stunt involved hoisting a spiritleader up into the air by the "basers" and letting her fall down into the arms of her teammates below. Stunts needed timing and precision since any mistakes might have had dire consequences. Flyers had to be strong, light and disciplined in order to maintain a controlled elevated stance. "It takes a lot of time and cooperation in order to make things work smoothly," said junior Sarah Gibson, Varsity.

The spiritleaders were more than just cheerleaders. Adviser Rosemary Best said, "These girls get out there to raise the morale of the audience. They don't just cheer, they perform and dance." The upbeat music in dance routines was chosen by a vote of the spiritleaders. They then choreographed the routines themselves. Practice sessions occurred twice a week after school from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m..

Aside from rallies and games, spiritleaders participated in competitions. They entered one competition at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk. The combined efforts of the Varsity and JV teams did not qualify them for the Nationals since a person fell while a stunt was being executed. However, the team did take second place in the co-ed division. However, the spiritleading team was not able to participate in any other competitions because some members lost their eligibilty.

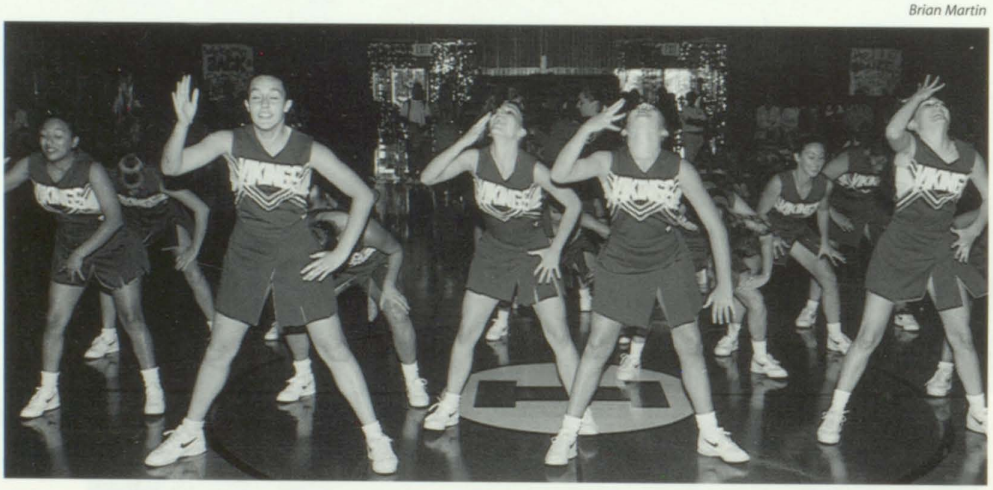
Even through all the stress and strain, both the JV and Varsity spiritleaders performed admirably through the season, keeping our morale high and disappointment low.

by Jason Chan and Tamara Lukas



Brian Martin

Varsity Spiritleaders Squad. Front row: Alisha Jensen, Ashley Chance. **Second row:** Corrine Leon, Christin Husbands, Miriam Carvalho, Kim Huber, Amber Lutes, Sarah Gibson, Felicia Carlo. **Back row:** Senchal Burks, Ashley Hamic, Mary Figeira, Dana Torres, Crystal Sheldon, Angela Gonzales, Cetina Taylor, Bonnie Valentine, Erin Ames.



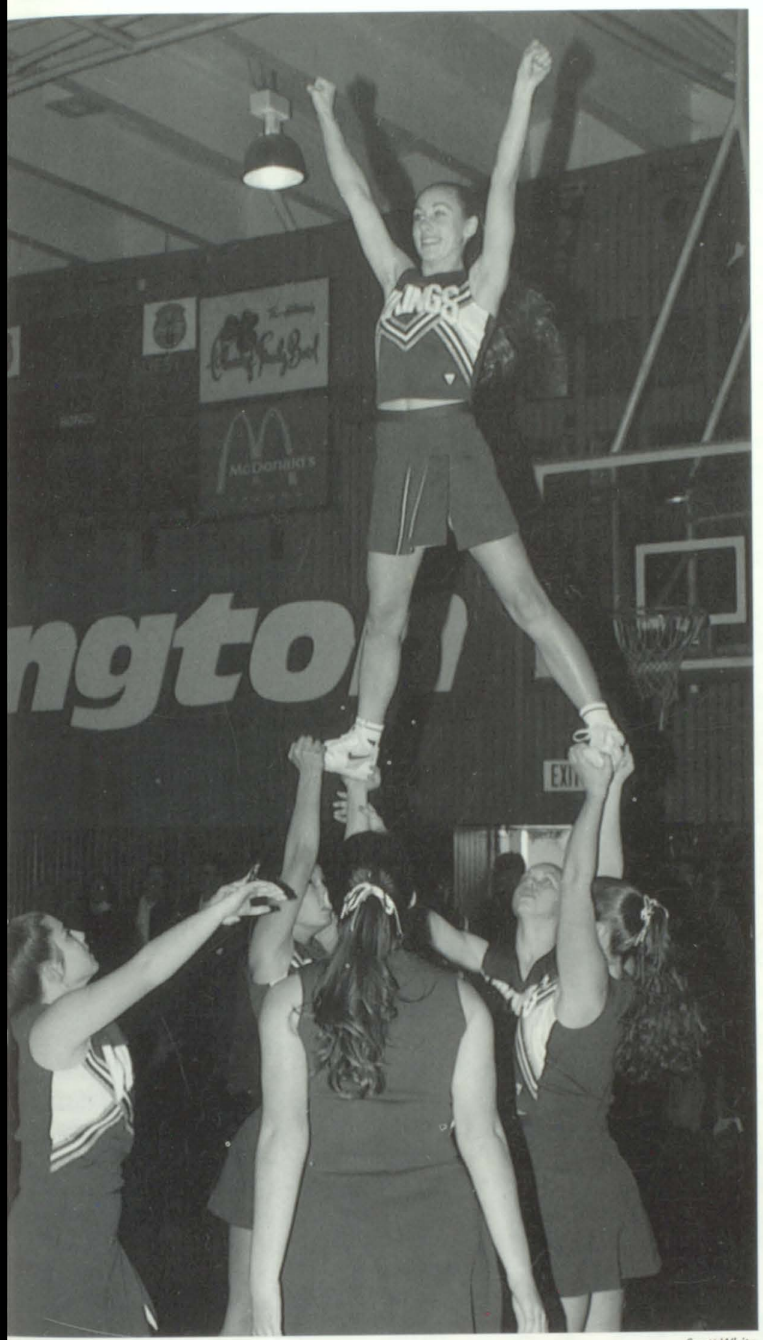
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The Varsity cheer squad performs their routine at the Welcome Back Rally. Rallies were a time for the cheerleaders to show off their gymnastics and dance skills.

Also at the Welcome Back Rally, JV cheerleader Katie Winkley cheers on the crowd. The spiritleaders spent much of the summer training for their debut performances at this first rally of the school year.



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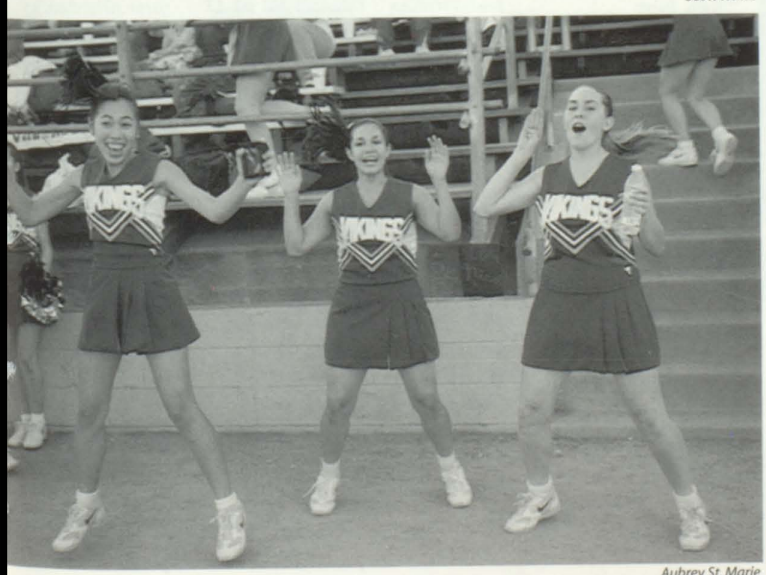
In a feat of strength and coordination, Varsity basers hold up flyer Amber Lutes at the Homecoming Rally. A potentially dangerous stunt, the spiritleaders performed this routine without the protection of mats.

JV Spiritleaders Squad. Front row: Jennifer Holtzer, Crystal Green, Melissa Mendez, Katie Winkley. **Back row:** Vy Ninh, Mary Gonzalez, Cassandra Osegueda, Jessica Samford.

Encouraging the JV Football Team during their Homecoming Game, Vy Ninh, Melissa Mendez and Cassandra Osegueda shout out their cheers in support of the team. The JV spiritleading squad warmed up the crowd before the Varsity squad took over during the Varsity game.



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TIMEOUT

SPIRITLEADING

Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk Competition

Did not qualify for nationals

"Although we didn't get along at first, we learned how to work really well together."



Ann Lan

—Erin Ames, Varsity



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Varsity spiritleader Christin Husbands pumps up the crowd at the Homecoming Game. Husbands qualified for the cheerleading squad two years in a row.

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The Pat Says This: One Big Bling Bling To All the Pat's Jabronis!! Hoody-Hoo!! God Is Good!! aLL The Time!! GigaPat Is Outtie!! PESS!!

Tolo Aria
ThnxTomyPreciousMom)mymostdearestcousinsHosniaDonyAweesa&myBEAUTIFULbestFriendsVickyEricaSamlLuall!&Don'tHateJealousyDon'tgetUnowhere!

Joe Arnaz
Thanksmom and dad 4 all the HELP! CHEVY tough salute 13 Star flag SS III mk u prd M&D Thxs all my friends Stringemup Ivya prts 13

Chris Arno aka "Psycho Smurf"
Would you like a cookie?

Sean Asplund
Peace2ALLDaHomies&-12allhatazMuchLove240mymainSQUEEZEJustChill&Laf5150FolifeletthemknowitsrealupinthebattlefieldwroteThisinotvipen

Sarah Atfield
ThksMom&Dad4Everything*76LetsGoBowling*25LuvYaBrownie*44GoSuperSlt*288IBetterGetInForFree*4OANATRforever*GoMike-Daddy*ByeMyFriends143

Jolene Austin
2000WillNeverBeForgottentomyFriends143IfItWasNotForYouGuyslWouldNotBeAround.MB143w/AllMyHeartonemorething"LearntoSWIM"823ALWAYSLOVEeHo

Andrew Banh
WADD UP32TYPER4LIFEMYNUFAMYMUGUYSRTIGHT27THANX4STANDNBYEMEKEITHNKENUMYCHUMS417WHEREUAT2MYBAB376UDA14MELETSMOVN2GETHASUP2MYFAMLYLUVULATE

Jeff Barreto
ThnxDenaJessAmieKentrufrenzRhrd2find.52&9ex27datwuz..?2allyaldatmadeMy4yrsgreatUmadeaemotionalrollercoasterfun.Wooeeeeeeeee!!!

Venetia Bass
Shalom,aba=amehmeht,achat aba, berlh
Toda Raba Venetia

Eryk Bateman
THIS IS GETTING USELESS...
( )
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Denise Bennett
LastDance! Circular Baby! 143 008 HolyCow!LetTheAltoLegacyLiveOn!ILoveYouMy MeatChili&DeLight DueceMenRpigslLikePorkRopeThemBroncos

Nikhila Berry
THANKS2MYFAMILY&GOD4TAKINGCAREOFME2MYBF&LOVESCAUMEANSOMUCH2ME143637GOODLUCKLILBROSCBNB143&2DAHGSJCVCCSLLKMMUCHLUV2DAWALLDUTRBNEDSGBFF

Becky Bettner
thankumomdad64172394everything143GuysGrantthanks4evertyhing143somuchbaby2thecowboy52wordscowboyup4everDale143823637327114lifelater!!

David Bocanegra
Thanx 2 my parents and my friends they stuck with me throught the years and last but not least I thank God. I appreciate it.

Jessica "Eurasian-Pie" Bonham
Hey!THANXtoALLofTHEdown2earthlings.NEW WAVEmusicDEPECHE-MODE is Cool.mmyddy&somoluvu! I promise to stop procrastinatin'...Really I will...someday...HeyJustin!2IHS-itsBEENsurrealBUtnice.ByebyeHS drama!FRAT GUYS here I come!
@>~'~,~~~~

Erik Bryant
THANKSM+D+J+E+EVERYONE BYE TO EVERYONE 143 FUN TO LEAVE IRVTOWN! RIP BRADLEY-SUBLIME GOODLUCK TO EVERYONE----------L8R DUDES :)

Jenny Burbank
THANX2MYMOM&DAD.ILUVU.BYE2MYBUDS,I'LLMISSU.SHAN,V,DEZ,DRE,JVANCHABLAKE,URTHEBEST&I'LLLOVEUALWAYS..BYEIRVTOWN.IT'SBEENFUN.CLASS2000

Nichelle Burdick
143SaraDBFFILLpickurtecth4u!FryMeatDelightThecouchisinBerkeley..Wannabrushyourteethwithme?MS:gladwegotoveritKurtland:RIwrldrs4life

Florideth Bustos
BGBOX2TGRLWNT2THNKMDBSGMADSCOFAMLIKEWOAH4OCNTGETENUFF143BOOX2MINDBDYNSOUL2DGEEZDATLSTD2DNDSTAYRUNBLOUDWIDIZMAYNEEFLOMDBITESHRTYRIJ

Christina Callanta
Itsallover7Done&AllWeHaveAreTheMemories2liveon*TheCREW143all637colajbaby*nnc*vc*silvercrew*luv27muchluv*GLDIGGINPLAYETTE4LIFE!

Vanessa Camacho
THXSMOM&BRO4THEL&SUPPORTGOODLUCK2ALLMYFRIENDSKITILUVUALLTHXZ4BEINGTHERETONANDOUHAVEBEENTHEBESTTHXZ4EVERYTHINGILOVEU637

Stephanie Castrillo
I'mVeryProudofMyselfForMakingItThruthe4ysrsAtIHS!ToTheCLASSOF2000GoodLuckAndHaveANiceLife!LoveUMOM,DAD,Noel,Eduardo,Javier, & I'm out !!

Christina Castro
Thanx4memoriesThanxmom+Dad+Mel143*Sh+Mk*Bug+Lc+Kg*Ak+Ss+Tp+Eb637Shannonfellowgoddess4evermelmakeitcountPoloalways,swimmingsometimes!

Jason Chan
Much gratitude to my family, all my friends and teachers for all the memorable times @IHS. May prosperity and happiness find its way to you all on the path of life... When I first joined yearbook I didn't realize it would be a book that would take all year to finish! ^_^

Sammy Chan
"Sup?THIS IS SAMMY,SO GLAD TO BE GRADUATED FROM IRVINGTON. SO GOOD BYE EVERYONE, HAVE A GREAT TIME IN HIGH SCHOOL YEARS!" —SAMMY

Laura Chandler
IamTheGodessOfAllThat!SwithaRoyalMortallamawiccanincarnatedoomedtwalkallrealmsholdingfeelingsforamanthatwilneverknowlcare

Jenny Chen
ThankGodImadeit!Mom&Dad,Thankyou4everythingILoveU!Goodlucktowl,TW,KH,EP,CP&AF.IWillmissUguys!BetterkeepinTouch,K?ByeBye!!c/o2000!!

Matthew Clark
THANKS MOM+DAD FOR YOUR EXAMPLE. I WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN AS SUCCESSFUL WITHOUT YOU GUYS. I LOVE YOU BOTH

Amy Collins
THNXMOM&SALLMYFAMILY!MYBUDSTL,JN,JB,&ALL OF YA!2MYDOG, BUDDY,ILUVU,KIDC/O2000RULESTHEWORLD!WWF4LIFE!YA!HAVEANICEDAY!ILUVYOUALL!024!143!!

Matt Colliss
G-BYE IRVTOWN THANKS 4 EVERYTHING MOM+DAD+FAM G-LUCK SIS VIKINGFOOTBALL 4EVER MISS U GABE I LUV YA COURNET*KEEP ARLAIN+TAKEFIELDTRIPS

Rick Conti
GOODBYE IHSFINALLY I'M OUT OF HERE & GLAD TO BE GONE!! THANX TO MY PARENTS FOR TRYING 2 KEEP ME OUTOF TROUBLE I LOVE YOU GUYS & TO MEBETTER,5SARAHROGERS14388214EVER

Cassie Crowe
Always remember who you are! I luv U mom and Dad!Thank u for supporting me! To all of my homies, I hope to see U somewhere over the rainbow! loveyall!

Juanita Cruz
Sorry2allthegirlslhatedon!HAHABYE I wil missevery1muchloveLLJBSKBALSHMSMCMMNBLHKAOFORGETALLTHOSFAKEPEOPLE143uguyseeuatBRICKSSAVAGEDER

Matthew Cunha AKA The Minute Man
ThnxCunhas/Jrnlsm/RitonaHebballdaguyz 27-10-81-58Tina&aluvdaladiesthnx.ZVJ-WWFsinourheartsalways.Zlsdabestthereis.Hailtothekingbaby.$

Chris Dauz
TYIHSTHEMEMORIES!733,1542,007-TY2000=FUN*GLOI-03&JK/TY3CAROLYN!NEVER4GET=/LET'SHAVEFUNASWEALLSAYGOODBYE"EYESLOOK YOUR LAST..."

Steve Deering
ILUVUmom+dadTogetherforever22-143-GoodLuck2Dave-Michelle-TamiandAllIrvingtonAthletic-ThankYouToAllMyTeachers-HeyBDImoutnowtdo!!!!

Charlene Ann Delapena
LORDTHX4EVERYTHING2MYFAMILY1432DUSTTHX4YOURLUVTHOSEWHO'VESTAYEDTRUETHROUGHTHEYEARSLOVESSORROWFRIENDSHIPISFORYOU...

Eli Delgado
Thanx2famgoodLuckmat2allthefolrsonthewallRespect2lRVSoccerand

Kurt del Rosario
ThankGodImadeitMom&DadLuvyaRio,Des,JenThnx4dressingme!Spicycookies!Yrbkrocksrealworlder4lifeNichelle!lamthewallo'Shamebythewaylguess750

Chelsa Dessy
ITSBEENFUNWHILEITLASTEDBUTNOWWEHAVE2SAYGOODBYENOWALLWEHAVERTHEMEMORIES.THANX2MOMDADLINDAILOVEYOU.143637TO63*27*06*00*23*21*13*79*76.

Rasheel Dhillon
I just wanna thank all my friends, family and teachers for helping me make this year the best. Love all of you guyz! Purvi, Lewis, Aelia, Winx, Guppy, Caitlin, Lyssi, Todd. WTP U6 143-637 remember dat i im a phone call away purv and sundeep. =P sundeep-Good luck next year--143.

Steve Dicherico
Whatsup fools-Later Irvington-Time-toneverlookback537566320-keepit--real-allaboutoutfettio-Thankyou--SoulisSentateBarnes-RIPGABE&Granpa

Sam Dolan
I'm a Jedi Master. The force is strong with me! My pupil: Rochelle Simpson

Monica Dominguez
GraciasAdiosYMispadresUrthebestGLVCKVALNERICALLBPP/VGL**NAVYBRAT**BIGHOLNICHOLEeNORMAAPSMCHLUV2MyElizamissUfranhPVMECHA4ever1437GLEVRY1else52

Ashkan Dorodyan
DOOOD!...ThanksMomDadSherryTheFamlilsis,urmybstfrndbtudntwnt2blovUHsisdunwitnolook

ingbackIn2talaLinstachow2Mow2YGYFOEVA I LOVE U ALL...ONE

Bryan Dorrell

LifeMovesbyPrettyFastIfYouDon'tStop&LookAroundOnceInAwhileYouMightMissItWhatuptoAll TheMembersofWBCTMJGSSBPNJJAMMJM&ALLTheRllerbldrs

Jimmie Douglas

To one and all try to move on and follow what you believe in.
P.S. QUEST Really Sucks

Jillian Doying

IDLIKETOTHANKALLTHEOVERACHIEVERS:W/OUTYAIDNEVERHAVEBEENINTIMIDATEDINTOMEDIOCRITY!HEREISYOURMOMENTOFGLORYBRIAN.THANXJENN&PATRICKLUVYA

Sara Dudgeon

THANKU2MYPARENTS4ALWAYSBELIEVINGINMEKATIEMYSTEESTER4KITKATPOWAILOVAUNBIWILLALWAYSBHERE4UKGIKNOWUWANNABABALLERNBAHEREHECOMESC/O2000143

Tami Eaton

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Arij El-Khatib

THANKS 2 MY MOM + DAD 4 ALL YOUR SUPPORT! 2 ALL MY FRIENDS ITS BEEN A FUN YEAR. HOPE 2 SEE EVERYONE AROUND. C/O 2000

Janet Fame

THANKGODMOMDAD4LUVSPPORT43BLKBTYBGDSTDYHRD2MYTRUFRENZMSFPW22KIT637KRP732LA2NALLDRSRGDLCKMSUALL86432DHATERSURJUSJELUS328823MOTHN15 :)

Steven Fan

GoodLuckC/02000!Thx2AllMyFamily,Friends&Teachers-Life'sGoodsoNjoyIt,Especially@College. Go 2 some parties,JoinFrats..InoIwill....Heh

Kelly Maurice Farley

FromA.60GPAtoA3.60ILearndItCanBeAPositiveRoleModelIAlsoWasBlessedWithOneOfTheSmartestYoungWomenInGodsWorldThankYouKrystalTaylorILove you

Matt Farrington

Thxmom+dadThxDcouldnthedoneitwthoutya*143Tasha823637*LizzYourthebest*143Allmyfrnds*ThxtoaII 135koolsseyaandfrndsnevaforgercha*Blinky

Aelia Fatima

ThankGod4Makin'MyDreamsComeTrue.GoodLuck2MariamYaldaSumanSanaJennyFatimal'lMissUGuys143allKIT&Thanx2allmyTeachers.143eveVIKINGS!

Carolyn Feng

...arms take your last embrace!"
thxCd4allurlove-meansmorethanukno143!MissuZBethDHATUnimyolbudsIHSButRmbr:UCantSayGoodbye2Memories

Blake Fernandez

Thanx2MomandDad-IRV-Soccer#1-GoodLuck2MREDJSATKHJJMC-Jen U Changed My Life 4 Ever I Love U June Bug- No Limit 45678 Latesis-I'm DONE

Jennifer Finch

I THANK MY FRIENDS HERE AT IRVINGTON FOR TAKING ME INTO THEIR GROUPS, THANKS TO MY FAMILY, AND FINALLY, ALOHA!

Jenna Flores

C/O2000VALUENWORTHLIESWITHIN2MSSHSP:
143637!2LEE:BFFILUVU!TOSHKI:143BIGBRO!SWEETYURLIKEDREAMCOMETRUTHANXFAMILY!GLORY2GOD!PSALMS40:)

Odessa Flores

THANKUGOD4EVERYTHNG143MOM&DADHEYC/O2000WEMADEIT!NOWITZJUSTAMEMORY143637REEMO&SARAURTHABEST*FRIENDZ4LIFE*14321IMISSUIRVHMM...GETOVERIT

Sam Follett "Pepe's Mama"

PeaceIrvtown!Thxs2myfam143!ItsallaboutPEPE!14360054245613823Nucho!143BATMAN&SHARKS...WHATEVA...Cody Thxs4Everythingit3823637*CheetaGRRR

Cheryl Fornoles

Thanks2myfamily,friends&teachers who supportedmethisyear.SpcIthanks2god,Yvette,Rachelle,Chris&OhTee.
"I'll Miss Everyone!"Bye!Ms. Quiet

Marvin "Mistikal" Fontanilla

iLUVmyF@MILY!this1GOESout2@LLofMYhomiegfunker@s(theF@Msm@rtiesHWcrewCsav@dNdaANGELZE)MYmistik@ISTYLEis@w@yOFs@yingCOMPLEXEDthings

Katie Fowler

IHATETURUBIN-TOALLMYFRIENDSWHOARENOTSENIORSBUTIWILLANYWAY.IAMSOOUTOFHERE!BYTOLAUREN,LORI,JOELLE,BEN,BETH,BECCI,HEATHER&FRIENDS!!

Kenneth Fung

I am on a voyage into the void of chocolate covered cheese whiz to witness the perpetual forces on bacon. For the broccoli is upon us

Reem Ganim

ThxGod&FmlyImadeit1437IIImissevryI@IRVC/ooovrdabombof&sm4772myladies-npcdlhkmlptevcmsdhldhqluvuguysthanx4everythingimoutmm..GETOVERIT!

Saul Garcia

GRACIASADIOSiATODAMIFAMILIA2SICKBRICKCREW;EDTRDUTLAMBN.TRIBUTEZDAWALL2DAGRLZ;NB69CP83114!BYDWAY,DONTBADENIS2SCWDYJITH...34112!CISG

Shawn Garcia

itsoveRtImetoParlay-GL-823-2myrealfolkssoJssscrmwwkh-Natalie-444ILoveU-637-Burrito-Momtried-4AllAboutmyfeddio-Partytilldie-20-

Mathew Gilbuena (MiGhTy MaTt)

Wow!OurYearsHaveFlownBy!ThanxToEvery1WhoHelpedMeOnTheWay.IWillNeverForgetThisPlace.CheersToTheFuture:)Thanx2MyParentsForAllTheirHelp!

Kathleen"Starburst"Gill

AlllHve2SayIsFinally!4Yrs&NowWerFree!4AllMyPals,MandaP,MeganT,BrennaP,StephHThnx!2Nikki,Cat,Taby-GoodLuck!ThxMsArhsbladeSmphonyRLZ

Jenilee"ShortDawg"Gomez

ThkGOD4daGuidance.2MomDadCynErvRodUrSprtBrtMehr-ThxSoMch143COLAJDaCrwHHDBYOB-WeMdIt,JstRmberItsNotDaEnd.BsydeLivesWWCNVC2000RLZONE

Katherine Griffith "Stallion Style"

Congratsc/o2000!ThnxMom&DadILoveU2MyGrlHStalions4LYF1WRDhawaii143AR,CP,MC,AP143BETAS!SMuWantMeBut143GdLuckGrlsSoccerMGJS-ALSDN-BB-

Diana "Shorty" Hall

2MOM+DADILUVU2PEANUT,GOODLUCK.ILUVUGUYZ.2,003,288,65,THX,ILIVU637.2C/O0
00GOODLUCK.THXMIKEURTHEBEST,IDIDIT,ILIVEU637.3206.THNKUSTULL<3

Elizabeth Hall

Thanx2God.MomDadSis'sBro143.2MyBoyZane143Babe.MyBudiesTangMaattNenaTab**Mundo**TonyLuvUGyz637MyKidzMMnpNMcdKMsmRGcpJCnbLLhrEDajStYTru

Stephanie Hammack

IdidItIsAlllHve2say!w/HelpFrmSpnrWIlce&QueenGundling!SuprStf!ILeaveThorThroats2Cassie&MikemkeItgr8!!PoleVaultersRule!ILuvCarotTop2000

Gina Hansen

4 every day there is a morning, 4 every beginning there is an end, 4 every tick the clock is warning that these 4 years are soon to end

Kristin Hawkins

THANXMOMANDDAD4EVERYTHINGTOALLMYFRIENDS.ILOVEYOUALLANDBESTOFLUCKINTHEFUTURE.GOODLUCKIHSBANDANDANDSOFTBALLGOODLUCKLAURENILOVEUERICABYE

Matt "Monkey Man" Hebb

THX2HEBBS/WECKS/DAGUYS/JRNLSM/ART/GABE/VWIKN/CHO/MRZTSPN/MsSgPkrJPtBst4YRSICOULDHOPE4THX4DAMEMORIESICAN'TBELIEVEIATETHEWHOLETHING!!

Sean Higgins

TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO THOUGHT I WASN'T GOING TO GRADUATE ON TIME, I LAUGH IN YOUR FACES BECAUSE YOU WERE WRONG HAHAHA

Thomas "Drum Machine" Hinderlie

THXM&DROFRMDIFMOI1431397SHAHANY105999PROLIFK-PLAYASPEPESWMONTBATMN007NINJASKLZ3STRPSPUMACOLAMOPRSOOCRYTHKORNTHAEPIC63724:WHOTHENNOW

Kati Hirigoyen

Thanks a million-JC,TW,WL,EP,4 Kepin me focused. Hey NAte! Luv Ya. Hey MS,PP,SA,DS,AT,KD,KH! It was lotsa fun, Think I mite miss it

Keith Ho

-ThnksToAllMyFrnds-YouGyzAreAlmstAsHipAsMe-AndrewHkltUpWthCrrtCake-KuCllgeCrpoo!HehItsUnbluble-GrcieRmembr122099HldngHnds823-LtzKjH-

Sharon "ShareBear" Ho

Thx2MyFam4believingInMeN2MySisLil143BGoodNDunEva4GetUTvietPride2My2Homegyrls22n721Thx4SpecialMemoriesnUGuysRThaBest1Luv2All*82*781*27=)

Rick Holley

THANKYOUMOM+DADFOREVERYTHINGYOUHVAEDONE.GOODLUCKTOALLMYFRIENDS.WEMADEIT,ORATLEASTSOMEOFUSDID.IKNOW,SLOWDOWNINTHEPARKINGLOT!HAVEFUNSIS!

Brian Hopkins

Thanks to all my friends. EDDIE & STEPHANIE. You two were the best. High School was fun except 4 QUEST. Good Luck 2 the Juniors

Mike Hoppe

Fatprops&wordUp2C/o2000Kids...
IReallyhaVeafeelINGThatallOfourkNowledgewilltakeusfar&HIGH.Sup2myChicKmOnks C yOuindajungLe!

Sarah Hughes

ThxsMom&dadBrolWishUtheBestToast4LifeToMyTrueFriendsMSJFLMSPCSJCJT143YouGirldsThanksIHSforTheMemoriesGoodLuckC/O2000!CollegeHereICome!!=)

Hannah "It's all aboutus" Huntley

MomDadURTheWrld2MEILY!ShannyMyFellowPimp,ThomasChrisMayTheFunTimesContinue.Pepe,FstofRge,Crckr,Cheetagrr,GGhorsecrw,PeaceOut!!

Kevin Huntzinger

ThxM&DLotsLuvUlotsURthebestevernever4getitThxcoachSpainL8ertoHeadGooseSteveDGarshFeltcherNickSesSpencerDawgSmMrGL264EVERStrsBrs

Diana Huynh

WE'VE COME SO FAR! 143ALL THANXFIREVERYTHINGOO,56,13,22,113,79&EVRY1143!LET'SGOC/O2000THANX4ALLTHEFUNIHOPE2SEEUALLLATERSEXYS!LUVDIANA

Amber Hylton

THANK U FAMILY 4 EVERYTHING. HALL TROLLS, U KNOW WHO U R, I LUV U ALL & DON'T WORRY U' R ALMOST OUT OF THIS PLACE. ABT I LUV U ALWAYS

Melissa Irvin

2MyGIrLs143AlWys!2mygUYs133LoTs!DadUInSPiReME143!CoLleEn2WorDS:tAebO!AiMeEBgOod!2mYdaCoBl4367!URMyFavoRiTe!TO2cuBedCrewRules!mout

Armohn Jackson

ARMEEZYOUT!PLH2:VC(:B44LIFE!RS2COO!DRAMALIFE#1FSUK4EVERBRO'S:LP,JM,GK,DB,JS!013B!MMISRF->741125751954117119JUICE!

Lewis Jackson AKA Lew-Dogg

DON'TLETANYONESTEALYOURJOYCARPEDIEMTOALLMYDOGSATTHESPOTMUCHLOVEITSALLABOUTTHELOVEOFJESUSTMM4EVERTOTHOSEWHOHELPEDMETHANXBLRSICKLIKE

Dena Johnson

THANKS JEFF, STEPHANIE. I'LL ALWAYS LOVE YOU. MAY YOUR ANGELS SEE THE LIGHT AND YOUR DEMONS SEE YOU THROUGH. ANYWAYS, I'M "OUT!" BOOYA!

Elizabeth Juenger

THX MOM&DAD4EVERYTHING-GOOD LUCK KENNY&KATIE HAVE FUN@IHS ANDREA ALISSA ALISON MYS SARA JEN SHAN BETH-I LUV U PARTYCREW FRIENDS4LIFE

Farah Kamal

FINALLY WEMADEITCONGRATSVIKES-KIT-143-ARIEGESHILPSPITAANHZG-LUCKPNUTURTHEBESTNEVERCHANGEOR-GROW143ALLTHANXEVERYONEC/O2000143IHSGOODBYESCOTTTCCIC

Bhumika Kapadia

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU 2 GOD. MOM,DAD & NIRAJ 4 ALL YOUR LOVE, CARE 7 SUPPORT. I LUV U GUYS. THANX 2 ALL MY FRIENDS 4 ALL THE SWEET MEMORIES

Edgar "GENE" Kendall IV

ILOVEYOUDADYOUREMOREIMPORTANTTHANANYTHINGi13!SUPTO-FSUK-BROS4LIFE&VC-SUPFOOS&LIQUIDWORDS&FISH-YOUMUSTLIVEON-ASHNEXTYEARTEARITUPSIS

Shawn Kerawala

2MYDAGWFSMYLOVE2WHOEVERIFORGOT.YOULIGHTITUPEITHERWAYREPRESENTINGTHEOUTLAWPRODUCTIONSDJPACMANTHHOUSERYDERWWFAN4LIFESWGHOMIES4LIFEL8!

Nima Khanghahi

Thank U 4 All The Memories IHS2000 Moemarysarahmilad Love You Guys!! BASKETBALL 99-2000#11 IHS VIKINGS Thank s To Claudia 4 givingme4greatyears

Nick Krell

MOMANDDADILOVEYOUTHANKYOU4EVERYTHING-TOBASEBALLANDFOOTBALLKEEPITREAL-TOEVERYONEIKNOWTHANKS4THEMEMORIES-06-8-99-ILOVEYOU-IAMOUT-2000-

Alissa Krueger

CLDNTLIVEW/OUARUDIS143637THNX4ALLMEMOREISLUVUALLOKROOMSARAMYYSTEESRFCOWHWIANSTLEANDREALIZPRTYONPEKRSHANSUKRSTINA143CRYSTALRIPPARISA:)

Rajeev Kuruppu

To All My Friends Matt, Khoa, Thang, John, Remember The Knowledge I Have Given You, Pants1LegAtATime, WomenNoLessThan1IfYa Smell, Sho4ever

Jorge Eduardo Lagos

To my family thank you for all the support. We

finally made it. To my boys: DPBGRMJTRRAAALASRAFJBCACSO VATOS LOCOS FOREVER!

Colene Larson

THXSTOMYPARENTS&LUVALLOFYAESP.HOAM,SA,AR,ER&AAILUVUDRAMAMAADVDRAMA&TREBLEENSEMBLEFOREVER!QUESTSUCKS!STRAIGHTSAVAGE!PEACEOUT!143

John Lathbury

To Swing or not to swing that is the question! It's the hair! BunnyBunnyBunny Voulez-vous couche avec moi cesoir 143 Lizzy

Amanda Wing-Yi Lau aka "Wingy"

NOmatterHOWhardLIFEgets,BETRU2YOURSELF.THANX2:UNIT4,GUPPY,LYSSI,STOGES,KAREN,CATLIN,ANGELA&PICKLE=)REACH4ASTAR&DON'TBEAFRAIDTODREAM!

Tina "Ug or Smell" Le

LittleErik,DoYouStillHateMe?Admins&StullLetMeSlideBCofMyFeminineWiles!THNXMaPaBro4theApartment&College$VOTEPat2020 Cunha!!YerGorgeous

Ryan LoBue

2SMTSBMSMKGCAJGLBALJCBE&allothers143-"neverfrownbecauseyournevernowhosfallinginlovewithyoursmileBTW2allthepeopleIwon'tCagainhaveagoodlife

Lorraine Lopez

THANKS2ALLMYTRUEGIRLSJCCSNBALKAMMMPLHTHANKSMOM4EVERYTHINGILUVUTHANKS2MYBRO74&MYBABYDANIEL143423MUCHLUV2ALLMYBOYSATTHEWALLBYEIRV23ISOUT!!

Mystee Lopez

Thnx2MyFrienz4BeinThere143&IllMissUrenBenThroItAllSexyBrkHatLissaSurfinCowns&Digs4lifeMelisNoTrespassingLizThnx4GoodXsanj&Jess143637

Lorena Lorenzana

Graciasdiosmamiypapipordarmetantoapoyo&Thankx2allmyfriends4allthelaughs!Imgonnamissyou!Smyleevery1whoohoowedidit!c/o"00"RocksVIVALARAZA

John Lorenzo

WUZZUP!Thanks2DAFAMILYHACREWANDMY PeoPlez.Goodbyetoschool,cuttinG,andgettingintoroubleBeaTechAssistant!NoCopMoStopNOPOJUSTGO!OKIMOUTLATE

Wendy Lundeen

THNX 2 GOD & 2 MY MOM % DAD I LUV U @ MY BROS CHRIS & DAVE THANX GOOD LUCK @ FRIENDS LW AT EP TW KH MS & JC SOFTBALL 4EVER GO DDGGERS!

John Magat

FirstOFFX-CountryIstheBest!ThxtoAllthePeopleWhoInspireMe.WithoutYou,IWouldn'tHaveBeenAbletoFly.OhYeahPokemonkillsDigimon/Clark

Chris Manaloto

Irvington High School was too far, the only thing good was driving my 2000GSR. Dv5 racers

Monica Mangel (MO)

THANKS2MOMNDAD!143637MATT!MUCHLUV2508812518541805071143BRETTNJO-JOPARTYHARDYNLIVELIFE2THEFULLEST!NEVERREGRETYORRPARTJUSTIMPROVEIT!13

Brian Marques

Wise Man once said, "Man who stand in beans shall end up in burrito"

Norma Angelica Marrun

GRACIAS-A-DIOS-MI-FAMILIA-MONICA-*MUNDO*-NICHOLE-LLBP-PV-MECHALIVES4EVER-WHO THREW-THE-BESTPARTY?-DON'T-HATE-ON-VS-VIVA-LARAZA!!-FTS

Chris Marshall

When the psychotic penguins armed with broiled trout run amok upon us all, the price of pork will go beyond our paradigm of existence

Melissa Manjarrez aka (Mundo)

GRACIASADIOSYMIFAMILIAPORTODO*143NICHOLLEMONICARMA-LLBPPV*SAVAGEDERFF*CVIDENSEHPV143*GDLCK2001DNTH8*FTS&TP*TWISM*1437* **GO NAVY**! =)

Joe Martin

A HORIZONTAL PLANE OF PORK AND BEANS GRAVITATES IN A VIRTUAL EXISTENCE WITH NO CONSOLATION FOR A YOGURT COVERED LAMPSHADE 143 7317

Jared Mathews

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Bye to everyone at Irvington. To everyone keep it real. Shout outs to SPK

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So Long IHS! It took four years, but I am finally out of here! College, here I come

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Whatevers clever...Take it how you want it... And any Way you can get it...

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I like the cars- Love 2 the homies on Lock down Crayola

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The Countdown Continues
the year in review

by Jason Chan

April 1999
●Millennium Baby—couples tried everything conceivable in order to have their child as the first newborn of the Millennium
●Columbine High School shooting—two students opened fire on fellow classmates, killing 12 students and 1 teacher and then both committing suicide

May 1999
●Ehud Barak—became prime minister in Israel's election, his victory bode well for the peace process

June 1999
●Slobodan Milosevic—surrendered after NATO's 78-day bombing campaign that brought Yugoslavia to its knees and forced the Serbian military to quit Kosovo

July 1999
●Lance Armstrong—after a successfully battling cancer, scores victory for the U. S. in the Tour de France
●U. S. Women's Soccer Team—beats China 5-4 to win World Cup
●Jerri Nielsen—U. S. doctor in remote Antarctica diagnosed herself with breast cancer, without any options she operated on and treated herself with chemotherapy

August 1999
●Albertson's—acquired American Stores Corporation which included all the neighborhood Lucky's stores we grew up with
●*Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?*—the game show debuted that tested the average American with simple questions and kept us glued to our televisions
●Great America—12-year-old boy plummeted to his death off popular theme park attraction known as Drop Zone
●Turkey—7.4 magnitude quake struck northwestern Turkey, killed 17,000 people and left thousands more homeless

September 1999
●Mars Climate Orbiter—satellite lost because NASA did not convert Lockheed's English standards into metric
●East Timor—the former Portuguese colony fell into anarchy when a ballot gained East Timor independence from Indonesia. Pro-Indonesia militias killed East Timorese civilians in retaliation to the outcome of the ballot

October 1999
●National Safety—Russia and the United States agreed on final details to ensure that potential year 2000 computer glitches in either nation's missile warning systems did not lead to an accidental launching of a nuclear warhead
●Armenia—political wounds erupted when gunmen stormed Armenia's parliament in the city of Yerevan and killed the prime minister and other top government officials

November 1999
●Elian Gonzalez—six-year-old Cuban boy survived refugee shipwreck and sparked tug-of-war between the Cuban exile community in Miami and U.S. government
●Seattle Riots—protesters in Seattle, concerned that the World Trade Organization conference would disregard world health and environmental safety in the pursuit of corporate profits, overwhelmed police who resorted to tear gas, pepper spray and rubber bullets in an attempt to control rioters

December 1999
●Mars Polar Lander—$165,000,000 Mars probe crashed, faulty design most likely caused the probe to deploy landing systems prematurely
●'N Sync—decided to leave BMG Entertainment for Jive Records, was sued by Transcontinental, management company of BMG, for breach of contract
●Boris Yeltsin—announced that he would step down from office, appointed Vladimir Putin to Russian presidency
●MTV—locked 6 viewers into a Y2K shelter as a TV stunt in case the Millennium Bug actually struck

January 2000
●Y2K—the new Millennium chimes in without the Y2K bug materializing, 24-hour coverage of the world as the new year arrived in every time zone
●Alaska Airlines—Flight 261 crashed in the Pacific Ocean near Los Angeles from suspected stabilizer malfunction, all 88 passengers died
●America Online—dominating Internet company acquired entertainment giant Time Warner
●Bill Gates—multi-billionaire Gates, after months of investigation by the U. S. government, stepped down and appointed Steve Ballmer as CEO

February 2000
●David Letterman—night show host Letterman had quintuple heart bypass surgery, but returned as funny as ever
●Hillary Clinton—speculation over the possibility she would run for New York senator—she did



Mathew Gilbuena

March 2000
●Buell Elementary School—first grade boy sneaked a gun to school and killed girl classmate at Michigan school

●Road Rage—woman's dog thrown into traffic by man after minor fender bender between their vehicles, event drew nationwide attention as reward to find the man surpassed $100,000, coverage of event questioned if the American public was paying attention to the right things
●National Primaries—ballots cast on Super Tuesday resulted in favor of Democratic candidate Al Gore and Republican candidate George W. Bush Jr.

TV Shows

●*Malcolm in the Middle*—a kid with a strange, dysfunctional family tries to live life as normally as possible
●*Roswell*—three deserted aliens try to fit in with normal teenage life
●*Freaks and Geeks*—dissecting the lives of the socially inept can be humorous
●*Futurama*—Matt Groening, creator of *The Simpsons*, begins a new series involving science fiction and sarcastic robots
●*Family Guy*—cartoon family with a twist, family members included talking dog and evil supergenius baby
●*Shasta McNasty*—testosterone oriented show
●*Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?*—TV game show that tested average Americans with multiple choice questions, hosted by charismatic Regis Philbin
●*Popular*—two rival step-sisters learn to amend differences for the sake of their parents

Trends

●MP3's—downloadable music more popular than any other Internet content
●*Harry Potter*—books that keep readers under spell, spark the imagination with stories of an adventurous young magician
●Latin Music Explosion—hip beats and exotic lyrics get people to shake their bon bons
●Cell Phones—whether in a car, supermarket, or even class, cell phones are there
●Pokémon—the cute creatures rake in $6 billion in profits
●Wrestling—Can you smell what the Rock... is cooking?
●Karma Bracelets—assorted colored beads represent the wearers' moods and aspirations

Movies

●*Anna and the King*—British school teacher arrives in Siam and falls in love with the king
●*Fantasia 2000*—IMAX experience animated with vibrant effects
●*Pokémon: the Movie*—more Pokémon than kids could handle?
●*Bowfinger*—comedy with Eddie Murphy and Steve Martin
●*Three Kings*—band of commandos in Desert Storm attempt to find treasure
●*Notting Hill*—lonely book store owner crosses paths with world famous actress and falls in love
●*Mystery Men*—misfit superheroes try to do good
●*American Beauty*—dark comedy about a supposedly perfect family living in suburbia
●*Tarzan*—vine-swingin' Disney fun with inspiring music
●*Sixth Sense*—child who can see a world beyond that of the living
●*Runaway Bride*—a prospective bride played by Julia Roberts gets cold feet when at the altar until Richard Gere comes along
●*The Green Mile*—a black man is wrongly incarcerated and Tom Hanks is there to set things right
●*Man on the Moon*—Jim Carrey gives tribute to the late comedian Andy Kaufman
●*Twin Dragons*—action oriented fight flick starring Jackie Chan as twin brothers separated at birth
●*Blair Witch Project*—mock documentary of three students searching for a local legend
●*American Pie*—confused adolescents trying to lose virginity before graduating
●*Toy Story 2*—heartwarming story of toys coping with an aging owner
●*South Park*—critically acclaimed NC-17 rated movie where the animated characters spew out more vulgar words and obscenities than ever before

Music

●Ricky Martin—suave Latin singer with slick hair catches the hearts of teenage girls
●Blink 182—punk band bares all in *All the Small Things*
●Santana—brings home 8 Grammys for hit collaboration album *Supernatural*
●Enrique Iglesias—the son of Julio Iglesias crosses over to the American charts as a Latin vocalist
●Christina Aguilera—new pop artist with fresh beat
●Brian McKnight—R & B artist who actually wrote, sang, and played his own instruments in his performances
●Mandy Moore—new pop artist reminiscent of Britney Spears
●Eminem—provocative, controversial rapper in contemporary pop music



●Jennifer Lopez—young actress turned musical artist

Irvington

●Valhalla—the theater undergoes remodelling and new sound and lighting systems are installed
●Portables—the 23 foundationless classrooms built on the fringes of the blacktop prove to be a long ways away
●200 Wing—retrofitted to take out asbestos and gets a new paint job, floors, heaters and air-conditioners
●Technology—modernization monies installed a new phone system and a new and faster network to be completed in 2001
●Boundary Changes—controversy over which high schools students across the district will attend, Kennedy remains open

Obituaries

●Charles Schultz, 77, cartoonist and creator of beloved comic strip *Peanuts*, cartoon became a piece of Americana
●Stanley Kubrick, 70, director of movies from the classic *2001: A Space Odyssey* to *Eyes Wide Shut*
●Saul Steinberg, 84, beloved author of *Where the Sidewalk Ends* and *A Light in the Attic*
●Wilt Chamberlain, 63, basketball player, the Michael Jordan of his day
●John Ehrlichman, 73, Nixon adviser who spent 18 months in prison for his role in orchestrating the Watergate cover-up
●Señor Wences, 103, ventriloquist with the catch phrase "S'awright?" "S'awright!"
●Pete Conrad, 69, astronaut and third man to walk on the moon
●John F. Kennedy Jr., 38, died alongside his wife Carolyn Bessette Kennedy, 33, in an airplane crash off the coast of Martha's Vineyard, founder of *George,* a political magazine
●DeForest Kelly, 79, most famous for his character Doctor McCoy, "Bones," of *Star Trek*

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A little relieved that the year 2000 didn't bring about the end of the world, Irvington pushed forward into the future of a brand new millennium. Most students did not have a chance to enjoy the view as time inevitably thrust onward and the "best days of our lives" ticked by like seconds.

Irvington's march into the future could be seen literally as the school's modernization process spread from the 200 Wing into the hallways of the main building. What initially appeared as new lighting fixtures, actually turned out to be tracts for wiring. The tan boxes running along the walls were designed to house enough cables to provide closed circuit television and Internet to every room on campus. While halls still remained uncheerily dim and trashcans filled with water every time it rained, Irvington moved on to bigger and better things.

After 50 years of bringing joy and laughter to the world, cartoonist Charles M. Schulz moved on to bigger and better things when he passed away in February. Schulz, whose *Peanuts* comic strip appeared in 2600 newspapers in 75 countries in 26 languages as well as in numerous holiday cartoon specials every holiday season, had announced his retirement from the world of cartooning only months before. He passed away on the eve of the publication of his final strip ever.

Irvington's Performing Arts Department decided to mount a production of *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown!* as its spring musical in tribute to the late Schulz. This was the first time in recent years that Irvington produced a musical separate from Mission. This decision came in preparation of Irvington's future status as a Visual and Performing Arts Magnet. Many of Irvington's top performers were torn between Mission's *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* and *Charlie Brown*. Good grief!

Auditions for *Charlie Brown* started only a week after the completion of Shakespeare's *Miniature Classics*. The cast truly proved that the "show must

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Diane Stendahl

Singing her heart out, Jillian Doying uses her talented vocals to raise money for the Senior Class. Senioritis was just one of 11 fund-raisers they put together to help raise money to defray the costs of both the Senior Ball and Grad Nite.

Carefully adding clay onto his self-portrait sculpture, ELD student Jim Sutikto tries to get his nose just right. ELD English classes helped non-English speaking students learn the language quickly and maintain the same level of academic courses as their peers.

A little bit of folk, heavy metal, and classical prove to be related in more ways than students think, as shown in a musical demonstration by the group Sabella. The musicians put on a such a toe-tapping performance that students became absorbed and lost track of time.



Diane Stendahl



Kurt del Rosario



Answering to her every whim, the fairies sing Titania (Alisyn Pena) to sleep in PAD's production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. PAD was able to put on a great show despite last minute changes in the cast.

Shilpa Andalkar



Not in his usual suit and tie, Mr. Pete Murchison, principal, dresses up in support of the Freshman Class during Spirit Week. It comforted students to see that the administration still kept high spirits, even with the dozens of problems occurring with the district.

Trying to keep everything organized in a world of chaos, T.A. Marie Tran divides up appointment slips by the room they are supposed to go to. She was one of the few who managed to keep things under control while time kept pushing forward.

Jessica Neunzig



Aubrey St. Marie



Parita Patel



Scott White

"Come here," beckons Matt Ritter during the Winter Assembly, with the Beginning Choir backing him up. Matt and the group were actually acting like a moving Christmas display, putting on a pretty effective performance.

Showing that time heals all wounds, Travis Damburger, Lani Salsedo and Jessica Stryczek participate in a memorial service to honor fellow classmate Dale Buehler, while Dale's father plants a tree in his memory. As this tree grows, Dale's memory will also grow and live on among Irvington students.



Aubrey St. Marie

In a poignant moment, Coach Tony Silveira gives the Varsity Soccer Team a pep talk. Sports did not have the greatest seasons, but Boys' and Girls' Soccer were definitely among the highlights.

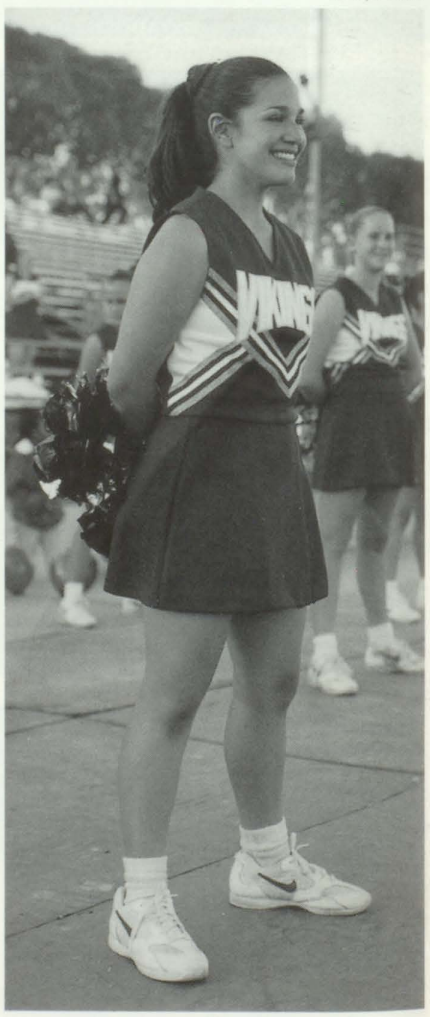


Shilpa Andalkar

"Promenading outside the ring," Katie Mlady and Scott Henry learn how to square dance in Freshman P.E. Timing and coordination were very important parts of square dancing.



Amanda Lau



Taking time out for a wholehearted laugh during lunch, Corinne Payton and Cassandra Dillenbeck giggle and scream at random Courtyard antics. The Courtyard ended up being the place for many laughs and good times.

Poised and ready to go, Melissa Mendez gets geared up to cheer her heart out. Timing was an integral part of cheerleading—everyone had to make sure to stay in time and together.

time keeps on slipping into the future

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go on" when several members of the cast were dropped due to inappropriate behavior at a drama competition in Sacramento. Emergency substitutions enthusiastically stepped into place with only two weeks to learn their lines and they still managed to put on a great show.

Also in Sacramento that week was Irvington's sixth "We the People" team. After performing strongly at the district and regional competitions, Irvington's team journeyed to the state competition. The team went

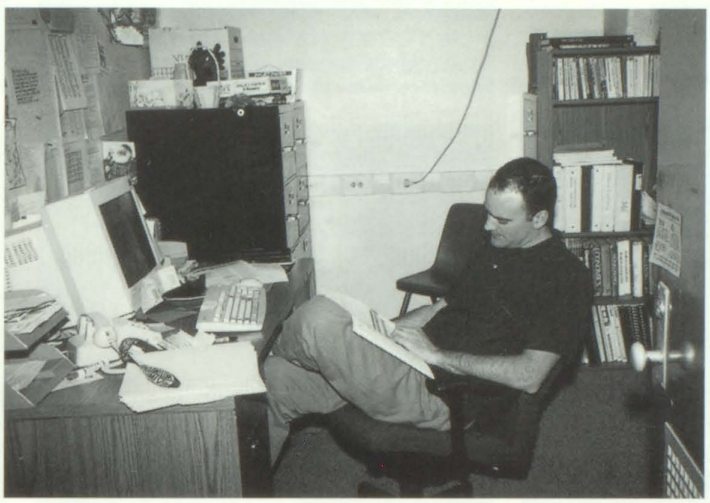
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Jessica Neunzig

Searching through endless envelopes, Loni Lasseter, Patrick Morris and Tina Le look for potential pictures for their spreads in yearbook. The *Saga 2000* Staff probably had the best idea of the importance of time, and how to wait until the last minute to do everything.

"Turkey anyone?" asks Melissa Cruz in the Performing Arts Winter Assembly. This was just one of the successful performances that drama students put on throughout the year.

As the Service Learning Coordinator, part of Mr. Nate Ivy's job is to make sure that students are taking advantage of all Service Learning possibilites in the community. This was especially important for seniors who had to make sure to get all their hours in before graduation.

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on to do better than any other previous IHS team, coming in fourth place in the entire state of California.

Speaking of the state of California, it was a hotbed of political action as many of Irvington's seniors voted for the first time in the March 7th primaries. Voters made some surprising decisions, including voting against Proposition 26, which would allow school bonds to pass with a simple majority, while giving prosecutors permission to try minors as adults by passing Proposition 21. The lawns of hundreds of Fremont homes gave a home to "Yes on 22" signs. The free advertising helped pass the controversial Knight Initiative that declared that California would not honor gay marriages from other states.

Hollywood leaped into a state of confusion when it puzzlingly discovered that a little boy seeing ghosts and hand-held cameras seeing nothing could gross just as much at the box-office as a meteor the size of Texas hurling toward Earth. Like most of American teens, Irvington students flocked to see *The Sixth Sense* and *The Blair Witch Project*. Using modern suburbia as a backdrop, *American Beauty* became a surprise hit, scoring the Best Dramatic film Award at the Golden Globes and a best picture Oscar at the Academy Awards. Most Irvington students opted to rent *American Pie* over and over again to see just how many could enjoy good pastry.

From selling pastries to fashion shows, Irvington was one big fund-raiser. Buying candy out of a Ziplock bag was practically a way of life for most of Irvington as clubs, classes, and sports teams bowed to the power of the almighty dollar. The seniors held over 11 fund-raisers to offset costs of tickets to the Senior Ball at the Sheraton Palace in San Francisco. One fund-raiser, the Senior Auction, was cancelled after the administration decided that the risks involved were too great.

The FUSD School Board also decided that pulling the gymnasium bleachers out was too risky when the tracks that allowed them to move

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Patrick Morris

As with most sports, Lisa Ton is in a rush to beat the clock during a Cross Country run in Coyote Hills. Although the Cross Country Team had fewer girls than last year, they had a winning record for the season.

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manually broke. The School Board stated that they could no longer be used, which resulted in the cancellation of the Multi-Cultural Rally. The Board also decided on the final boundary changes. They voted to keep Kennedy open one more year, but they made changes to the high school attendance areas. These changes included moving Forest Park and Millard Elementaries from Irvington and moving Weibel Elementary from Mission to Irvington. The decision led to a lawsuit by Weibel parents who sued on the grounds that the decision violated the 14th Amendment. This was the first case of its kind—alleging discrimination against students for over-achieving.

Over-achievers at Irvington joined together once again in the annual Tech Challenge Competition at the Tech Museum in San Jose. The group built a machine that could place a battery in a rotating satellite. It was not difficult to surpass last year's group, where one of the team's machines fell apart the day of the competition.

Still healing from 1999's tragedies, students mourned the anniversary of the death of Dale Buehler. A memorial service was held in honor of Dale, who would have graduated with the Class of 2001.

The Class of 2001 prepared to take the reins from the Class of 2000 as they dominated the majority of first round nominations at the annual Election Convention. The promises and speeches of Irvington's ASB hopefuls brought the sad reality that the year was drawing to a close leaving only "memories, blending into dull tableaux." However, it also brought the reminder that a whole new year awaits to start all over again. Like the hands of a clock, we came full circle only to come back to where we started, ready to brave another trip around. Only this time, the numbers have changed.

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Having the time of her life, Christina Callanta busts a move on the Valhalla stage at the Winter Assembly. The dance was put together by Ms. Julie Myers in her Social Dance class.



Diane Stend

Preparing for the worst, new Assistant Principal Ms. Molly Barnes awaits what's in store for her at the first rally of the year. In the past, new administrators were initiated with a whipped cream pie in the face; however, this ritual was changed to a nicer surprise of flowers.



Scott White

Now, don't get the wrong idea. Ms. Nicole Larson an Ms. Josefina Flores participate in the Hello Rally by playing a game in which they have to pass an orang down the line using only their chins. Rallies were downplayed toward the end of the year due to the broken bleachers in the gym.



Helping out at the Special Olympics, Imee Candelario gets some Service Learning hours assisting at a sign-in table. Many students spent their free time by doing community service, which proved to be useful as well as fun.



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